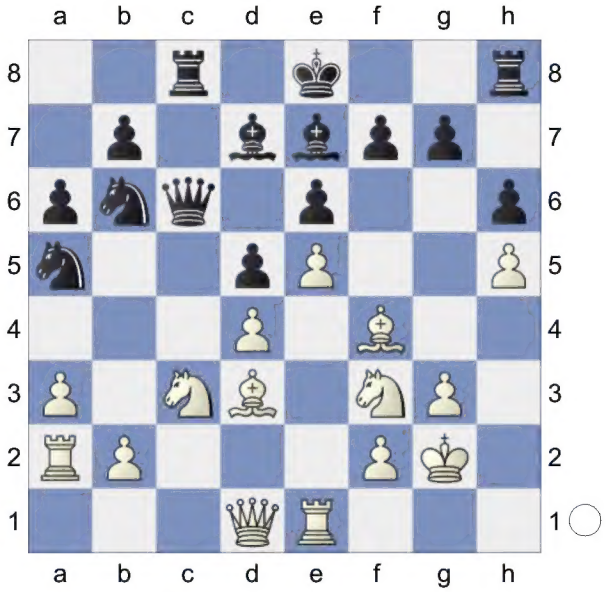
The Milner-Barry Gambit
160 Refernce Games

Chess Notes 2025

1 **C02**
□ **Stoofvlees Ii A19** **3509**
■ **Rofchade** **3467**
TCEC 22 Premier 2022 (33.1) 20.03.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Nb4 0.92/21
[7...Bd7= -0.01/23 remains equal.]
[7...Nxd4 8.Be3 Nxf3+ 9.Qxf3 Qxb2 10.0-0 Qxa1 11.Bb5+ Kd8 12.Qxf7 Qxe5 13.Qxf8+ Kc7 14.Rc1+ Qc3 15.Rxc3+ Kb8 16.Qxc8# Paxson,A-Verbrugge,S Knights Silves 2017]
[7...Bb4+ 8.Nc3 Bd7 9.Be3 Rc8 10.0-0 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Bd2 Ne7 14.Ng5 h6 15.Nh3 Nc4 16.Bxc4 dxc4 17.Nf4 Nd5 18.Nh5 g6 19.Ng3 f5 20.exf6 Nxf6 21.Qf3 Nd5 22.Rfe1 1-0 (44) Tropp,F (2063)-Tokarcik,J (1809) SVK-chT1E 2425 2024 (3.7)]
8.Be2N
[8.a3 Nxd3+ 9.Qxd3 Bd7 10.Nc3 Rc8 11.0-0 a6 ½-½ Morphy,P (1962)-Koponen,E (1790) 032 Linz 2015 (9)]
8...Bd7 9.a3 Nc6 White is better.
10.Nc3 Nge7 11.Na4 Qc7 12.0-0 a6 13.Bd3 Nf5 14.Bb1 h6 15.Nc3 Nfe7 1.26/20
[15...g6± 0.68/20]
16.Re1 Na5 17.Bd3 Nc8 1.38/20
[Black should play 17...Nec6 0.95/20]
18.h4 Nb6 19.Ra2 Be7 20.h5 Nc8 1.71/20
[20...Rc8± 1.11/20]
21.Bf4 1.23/18
[White should try 21.Nd2+- 1.71/20]
21...Nb6 22.g3 Rc8 23.Kg2 Qc6 1.57/21
[⌓23...Qd8 1.06/19]



24.Nd2! Kf8 1.85/21
[24...Na4± 1.22/20 might work better.]
25.Ne2+- Na4 1.94/21
[25...Nbc4± 1.56/21 26.Nf3 *(26.b4 Nxd2* Remove Defender *27.Rxd2 Nc4±)* 26...Qa4]
26.Qb1 Qb6 27.b4 Nc4 28.Rc1 Qb5 29.Kh2 Be8 30.g4 Nab6 31.Nb3 Na4 2.43/18
[⌓31...Bg5 1.98/18 32.Kg1 Bxf4 33.Nxf4 Kg8]
32.Bg3 Qd7 33.Nc5 Nxc5 34.bxc5
[34.dxc5?! Qd8±]
34...Bd8 35.f4 f5? 4.20/20
[35...g5 2.34/17 36.f5 *(36.hxg6 fxg6 37.Bxc4 dxc4±)* 36...b6]
36.Bf2
[36.gxf5 Qf7±]
36...fxg4 37.Bg3 Bg5 4.67/20
[37...Bxh5 38.f5 Bg5 39.fxe6 Qxe6 40.Rxc4 *(40.Bf5 Qc6±)* 40...dxc4 41.Bf5=]
[⌓37...Qf7 3.05/18 38.Bg6 Qe7]
38.Kg1
[38.fxg5 hxg5 39.Rf1+ Kg8±]
[Less strong is 38.Bxc4 dxc4 39.Rd2

(39.fxg5 hxg5 40.Qe4 Rxh5+ 41.Kg2 Rh6±) 39...Kg8±]

38...Kg8 39.Rf1

[39.Bxc4 dxc4 40.fxg5 Qd5±]

39...Bxh5 40.fxg5 hxg5 41.Qc1 Qe7 42.Nc3 Rh6 43.Rh2 Na5 44.Ne2 Nc6 45.Bf2 Rf8 46.Be3 Rxf1+ 47.Qxf1 Bf7 48.Ng3 Na5 49.Qc1 Rxh2 50.Kxh2 Be8 51.Qd1 Qf7 52.Kg2

[52.Bxg5? too greedy. Qf2+ 53.Kh1 Qxg3-+]

52...Bb5 White must now prevent ... Bxd3. **53.Bc2**

[53.Bxg5? Qf3+ 54.Qxf3 gxf3+ 55.Kf2 Bxd3 56.Kxf3 Kf7∓]

53...Kf8 54.Qxg4 Active counter play!

54...Nc4 55.Bc1 Ke8 56.a4 Bc6 57.Nh5 Kd7 58.Qxg5 Kc7 59.Nxg7 Kb8 60.Qg6 Qd7 61.Nxe6 Ka7 62.Bf4 Qc8 63.Qf6 Be8 64.Kg3 Bh5 65.Bf5 Qg8+ 66.Qg7 Qf7 67.Qxf7 Bxf7 68.Ng7 Nb2 69.e6 Bxe6 70.Bxe6 Nxa4 71.Bxd5 a5 72.Bf3 and Be5 would now be decisive **72...Ka6 73.Ne6 Kb5** Against d5 **74.Bxb7** 13.28/23

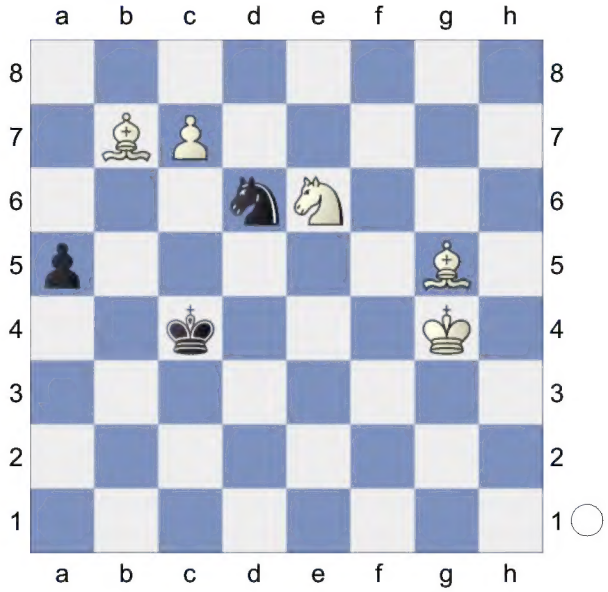
[⌓74.d5 #18/22 Nc3 75.d6 a4 76.d7 *(76.Bxb7 a3+-)* 76...Kc4 77.d8Q *(77.d8B a3+-)* 77...b5 78.cxb6 Kb4 79.b7]

74...Kc4 75.d5 Intending d6 and mate.

75...Nc3 76.c6 8.53/17

[⌓76.d6 #15/17 a4 77.d7 Ne2+ 78.Kg4 *(78.Kg2 Kb3+-)* 78...Nxf4 79.Kxf4 *(79.d8R Nxe6 80.Bd5+ Kxc5+-)* 79...Kc3 80.d8Q *(80.d8R Kb4 81.c6 a3 82.c7 a2 83.c8Q a1Q 84.Qc5+ Ka4 85.Ra8+ Kb3 86.Bd5+ Kb2 87.Rb8#)* 80...Kc2 81.c6 *(81.Be4+ Kc3 82.c6 Kb4 83.c7 Kc4 84.c8Q+ Kb3 85.Qd2 Ka3 86.Qcc3#)*]

76...Nxd5 77.c7 Ne7 78.Bg5 White mates. **78...Nf5+ 79.Kg4 Nd6**



80.Be7! Nxb7

[80...Nc8 81.Bxc8]

81.c8Q+ Kd3

Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.42

82.Qxb7

1-0

2 **C02**

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TCEC 22 Premier 2022 (40.1) 22.03.2022

[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Nb4 0.99/24

[7...Bd7!= -0.01/24]

[7...Nxd4 8.Be3 Nxf3+ 9.Qxf3 Qxb2 10.0-0 Qxa1 11.Bb5+ Kd8 12.Qxf7 Qxe5 13.Qxf8+ Kc7 14.Rc1+ Qc3 15.Rxc3+ Kb8 16.Qxc8# Paxson,A-Verbrugge,S Knights Silves 2017]

[7...Bb4+ 8.Nc3 Bd7 9.Be3 Rc8 10.0-0 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Na5 12.Rb1

Qc7 13.Bd2 Ne7 14.Ng5 h6 15.Nh3 Nc4 16.Bxc4 dxc4 17.Nf4 Nd5 18.Nh5 g6 19.Ng3 f5 20.exf6 Nxf6 21.Qf3 Nd5 22.Rfe1 1-0 (44) Tropp,F (2063)-Tokarcik,J (1809) SVK-chT1E 2425 2024 (3.7)]

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8...Bd7 9.a3 Nc6 White is better. **10.Nc3 Nge7 11.b4 a6 12.Na4 Qc7 13.0-0 Na7** 1.23/24

[Better is 13...Nf5 0.85/22]

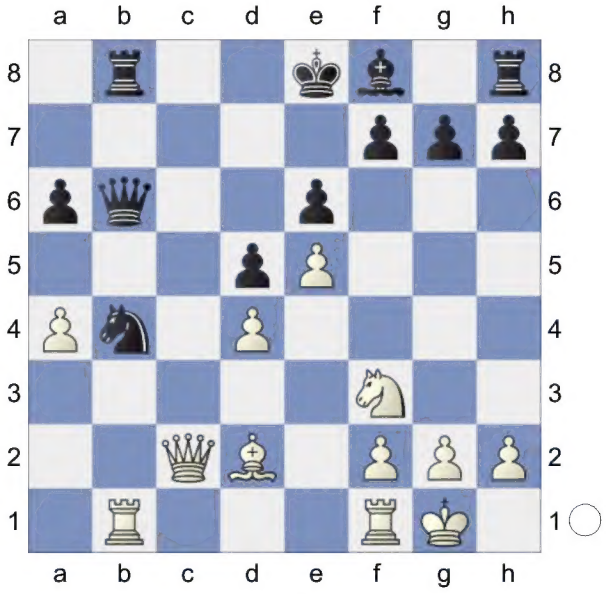
14.Nc5 Bb5 15.Bxb5+ Nxb5 16.a4! Nc3 17.Qd3 Ne4 18.Nd2 Nxc5 1.34/24

[⌓18...Nf5 0.95/23]

19.bxc5 Nc6 20.Rb1 Rb8 21.Nf3! Qa5 1.61/25

[21...Be7± 1.23/24]

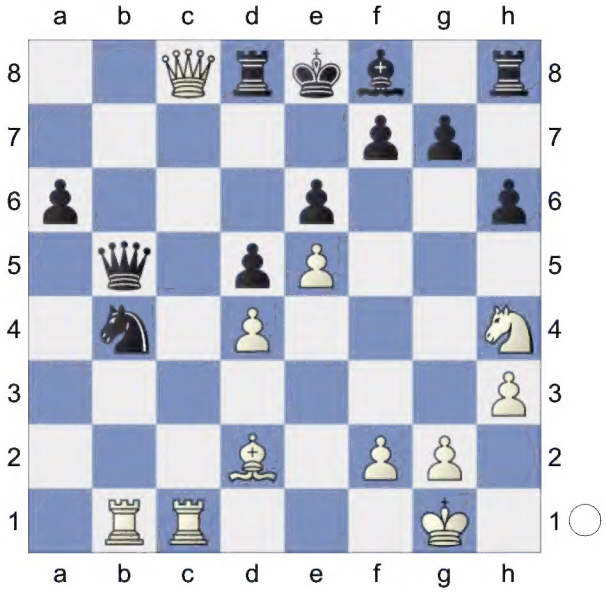
22.Qc2!+- b5 23.cxb6! Nb4 24.Bd2 Qxb6



25.a5! Qxa5 26.Rfc1 White is more active. **26...h6** Prevents Ng5. **27.h3** White has strong compensation. **27...Qb5 28.Qc7 Rd8** 1.98/28

[28...a5± 1.51/30]

29.Nh4! Rd7 30.Qc8+ Rd8



31.Ng6! Deflection. Black is weak on the dark squares **31...Rxc8**

[31...fxg6? 32.Qxe6+ Be7 33.Rc7+- *(33.Rxb4 Qd7+-; 33.Qxg6+ Kf8+-)*]

32.Rxc8+→ White wants a kill. **32...Kd7 33.Rbc1**

[33.Rxf8 fxg6 34.Rxh8 Qd3 *(34...a5 35.Rc1±)* 35.Rxb4 Qxd2 36.Rb7+ Kc6=]

33...Nc2

[33...fxg6 34.R1c7#]

34.R1xc2 Qb1+

[34...fxg6 35.R2c7#]

35.Rc1 Qxc1+ 36.Bxc1 fxg6 Endgame KRB-KRB. Black is a pawn up. **37.Ra8 g5 38.Kf1** and Ba3! should not be overlooked

[38.Rxa6?! Bb4±]

[38.Ba3 Bxa3 39.Rxh8 Bb4±]

38...Ke7 2.82/31

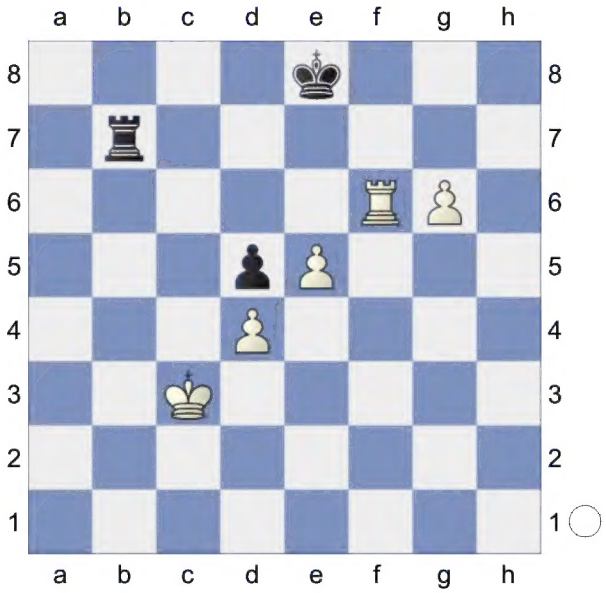
[38...a5 1.80/32 was necessary. 39.Rxa5 *(39.Ba3 Bxa3 40.Rxh8 Bb2±)* 39...Ke8]

39.Ra7+!

[39.Rxa6 Kf7±]

39...Ke8 40.Ke2!

[40.Rxa6 Kf7±]
40...Rg8 41.Rxa6 Kf7 2.54/31
[⌓41...Be7 1.84/30 42.Rxe6 Kf7]
42.Ra7+ Ke8? 6.47/28
[42...Be7± 1.21/28 43.Ba3 Re8]
43.Kd3 Bb4 44.Rb7 Be7 45.Kc3 h5 46.Kb3 Bd8 47.Ba3 Wards off Rf8
47...g4 48.hxg4 hxg4 49.Ka4 Rh8 50.Rxg7 Rh1 51.Bc5
[Not 51.Rxg4 Be7+-]
51...Rb1 52.Rxg4 Kf7 53.Rf4+ Ke8 54.Rf8+ Kd7 55.f4 Ra1+ 56.Kb3 Rb1+ 57.Kc3 Rg1 58.f5 Ba5+ 59.Bb4 Bxb4+ 60.Kxb4 KR-KR. White is two pawns up. **60...Ke7 61.Rf6 Rb1+ 62.Kc3 exf5 63.Rxf5 Rc1+ 64.Kd2 Rc4 65.Rf4 Ke8 66.g4 Rb4 67.g5 Rb2+ 68.Kc3 Rb6 69.Rf6 Rb1 70.g6** Intending g7 and mate. **70...Rb7**



71.g7! Rxg7 72.Rd6 Rc7+ 73.Kb2 Rb7+ 74.Ka3 Rb5 75.Rh6 Rb1

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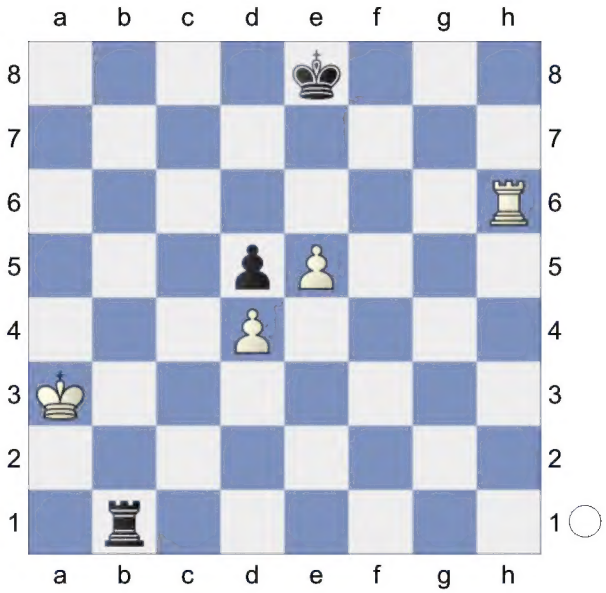
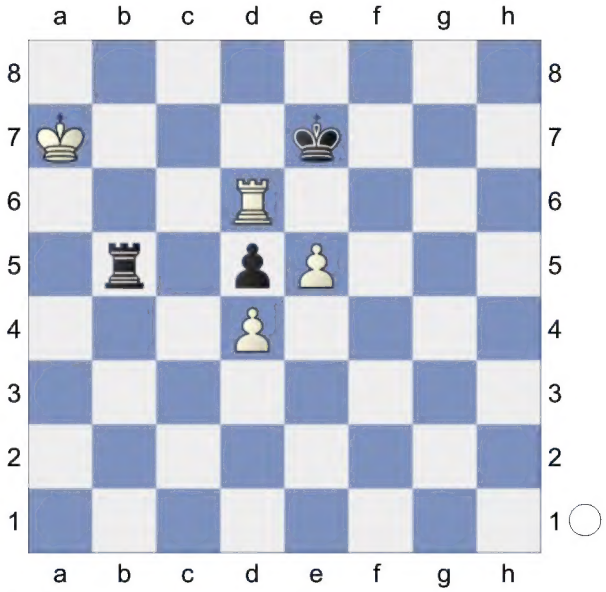


76.Rd6? -0.01/24
[76.Re6+!+- 9.24/27 Kf7 77.Rd6]
76...Rb5= 77.Ka4 Deflection **77...Rb1 78.Ka5 Ke7 79.Ka4?** -0.01/24
[79.Rxd5+- 9.21/25 Ke6 80.Rd6+ Ke7 81.d5]
79...Ke8! 80.Ka5? -0.01/21
[80.Rxd5+- 9.38/26 Rb2 81.Rb5]
80...Ke7! 81.Ka6 Rb2 82.Ka7 Rb5



83.Rb6! Ra5+ 84.Ra6 Rb5 85.Rb6? -0.01/24
[85.Rd6+- 8.52/27 Kf7 86.Ka6 Deflection]

85...Ra5+ 86.Ra6
[86.Kb7!? Ra4□ 87.Kc6 Rxd4 88.Kc5=]
86...Rb5 87.Rd6 Kf7 88.Ka6 Deflection **88...Rb1 89.Ka7?** -0.01/23
[89.Rxd5+- 9.21/26 Ke7 90.Rd6]
89...Rb5 90.Rb6? 0.83/30
[90.Rd7++- 8.31/27 Ke6 91.Rd6+ Ke7 92.Ka6 Deflection]
90...Ra5+± 91.Ra6 Rb5 92.Rd6 -0.01/24
[White should try 92.Ra4± 0.66/28]
92...Ke7= 93.Ka6 -0.01/27
[93.Ka8± 0.68/27 Rb2 94.Rxd5]
93...Rb2
Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.27 (precise)
94.Rxd5
1-0

3 **C02**
□ **BoonerBot** **3083**
■ **admonitor** **2718**
Blitz 11.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
This game was played in round 6 of the FIDE Grand Swiss in Riga on November 1, 2021. This tournament was part of the qualification cycle for the World Chess Championship. Once again MVL to the rescue! **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4 h6 10.a3 a6 11.b4 Rc8 12.Bb2**

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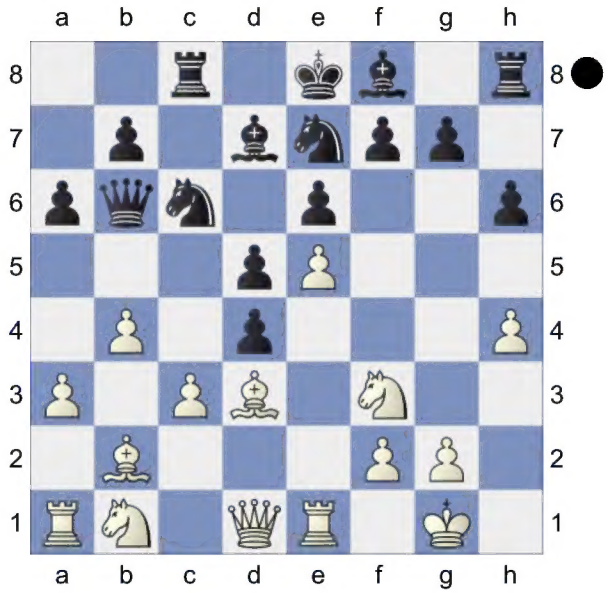
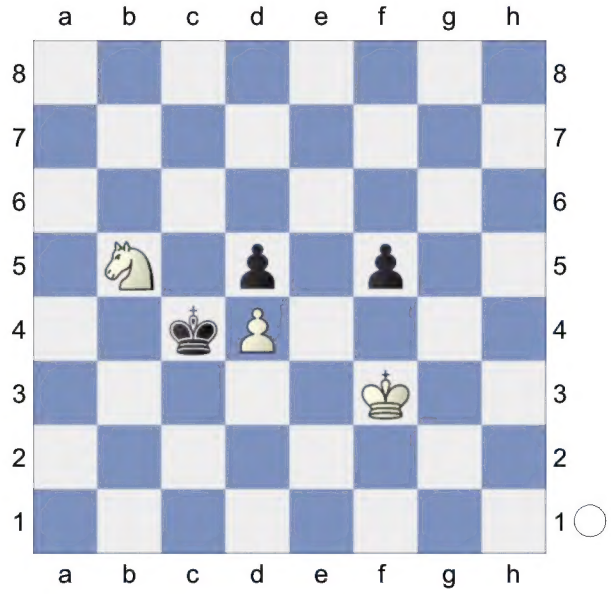


g5! 13.h5N
[13.Nh2 Bg7 14.Ng4 gxh4 15.cxd4 h5 16.Nf6+ Bxf6 17.exf6 Ng8 18.Qf3 Rh6 19.Qxd5 Nxf6 20.Qg5 Ng4 21.Nc3 Qd8 22.Qxd8+ Kxd8 23.Ne4 e5 24.f3 Nxd4 25.fxg4 hxg4 26.Ng5 1-0 Space advantage: pawn on e5-Vachier Lagrave Ponkratov E Grand Swiss 2022 (6)]
13...g4 14.Nxd4 Rg8
[14...g3 15.fxg3 Bg7 16.Qg4 Bxe5 17.Rxe5 Nxe5 18.Qg7 Nf3+]
15.Nd2 g3 16.fxg3 Rxg3 17.N2f3! Nxd4
[17...Nf5 keeps more tension. 18.Kh2 Ncxd4 19.cxd4 Rg4]
18.cxd4 Rg4 19.Rc1 Rxc1 20.Qxc1 0.01/18
[20.Bxc1± 0.65/21 Nf5 21.Bxf5 exf5 22.Bd2]
20...Nf5= 21.Bc3 Qc7 0.35/20
[21...Ng3= -0.08/21]
22.Bxf5± exf5 23.Bd2 Qc6 24.Kf2 Re4! 25.Qxc6 0.01/21
[White should try 25.Rd1± 0.64/21]
25...Bxc6= 26.g3 Rxe1 27.Nxe1 Endgame KBB-KBN **27...Bb5 28.Nc2 Ke7 29.Ne3 Ke6 30.Ng2 Bc4 31.Kf3**

Kd7 32.Ke3 Bb3 33.Nf4 Ba2 34.Nd3 Nc5+ poses a challenge **34...Bb3 35.Nf4 Bc4 36.Kf2 Kd8 37.Ng2 Kd7! 38.Ne3 Ke6 39.g4 fxg4 40.Nxg4 Kf5 41.Nf6 Be7 42.Ng8 Bg5**
[42...Bh4+?! 43.Kf3±]
43.Bxg5
[43.Nxh6+ Bxh6 44.Bxh6 Kg4]
43...Kxg5 KB-KN **44.Nf6 Bb5 45.Kf3**
[But not 45.Nxd5?! Kxh5 46.Nf6+ Kg6±]
45...Ba4 46.Ke2
[46.Nxd5? too greedy. Bc6 47.Ke4 Kxh5-+ *(47...Bxd5+? 48.Kxd5 Kxh5 49.Kc5+-)*]
46...Bb3 47.Ke3 b5 48.Ne8 Kxh5 49.Kf4 Kg6 50.Nc7 h5 51.Nxa6 Bc4 52.Nc5 Bf1 53.a4 bxa4 54.Nxa4 h4 55.Nc3 f6! 56.e6 Bh3! 57.Nb5
[57.Nxd5 Bxe6 58.Nc7 Bh3±]
57...Bxe6 58.Nd6 Bd7 59.b5 0.53/28
[59.Kf3= 0.01/30]
59...h3± (-> . . . h 2) **60.Kg3** and b6 should not be overlooked **60...h2 61.Kxh2 Bxb5!** Deflection **62.Nxb5** KN-KPP **62...Kf5 63.Kg2 Ke4 64.Kg3 f5 65.Kf2 Kd3 66.Kf3 Kc4**



67.Kf4! Kxb5 68.Kxf5= KP-KP **68...Kb6! 69.Kf6** 0.29/43
[69.Ke5± 1.02/40 Kc6 70.Kf4]
69...Kb7 70.Ke5 Kc7! 71.Kxd5 KP-K. White is a pawn up. **71...Kd7 72.Ke5 Ke7 73.d5 Kd7 74.d6 Kd8 75.Ke6** d7 would kill now. **75...Ke8 76.Kf6** 0.27/95
[76.d7+± 0.87/95 Kd8 77.Kf7 Kxd7]
76...Kd7 77.Ke5 -0.01/36
[77.Kf7± 1.01/95]
77...Kd8 78.Ke6 -0.01/46
[78.d7± 0.36/95 Kxd7]
78...Ke8
Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)
79.Kd5
½-½

4 **C02**
□ **muisback** **3046**
■ **FourPlayingCards** **2649**
Blitz 02.04.2024
[Kitty Kat]

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[11...Qxb4∓ -0.39/19 keeps the upper hand. 12.Ng5 Qh4]
12.Rb1± a2-a3 is the strong threat.
12...Qa5

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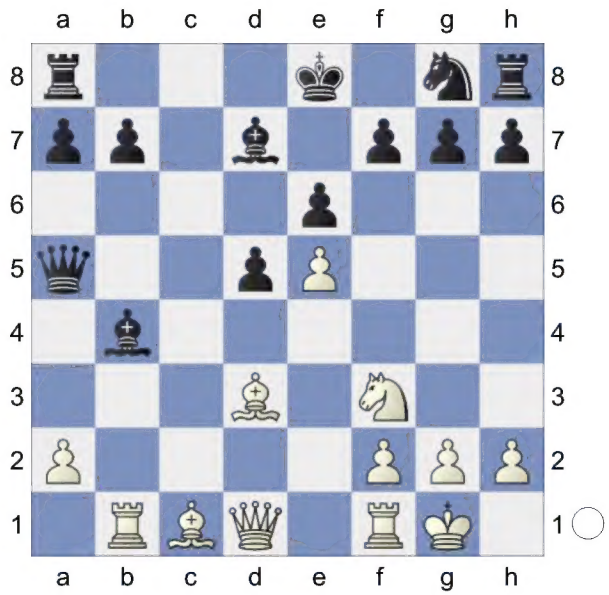

13.a3! Bc5
[13...Bc3 14.Ng5]
14.Rxb7 Ne7N 1.54/20
[14...Qa4!± 0.56/18]
15.Ng5↑ Threatens to win with Qd1-h5. White has some pressure. **15...Bc6!**
16.Qf3 White is much more active. The black rooks are passive. **16...Bxb7?** 2.57/19 This move loses the game for Black.
[16...Rf8= 0.09/20 17.Rb3 h6]
17.Qxf7++- Kd8? 6.49/25
[17...Kd7 1.85/23]
18.Nxe6+ Kd7

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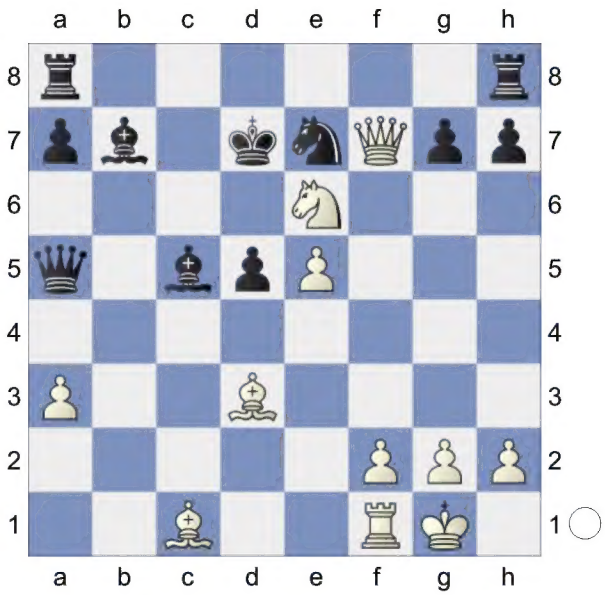
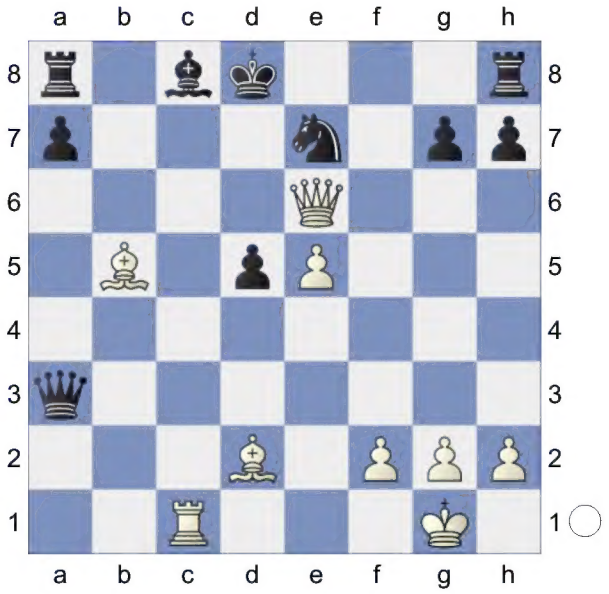


19.Bd2! Deflection **19...Qxa3**
[19...Qb6 20.Rb1]
20.Nxc5+ Qxc5 21.Rc1 Qa3 #12/18
[Don't play 21...Qb6 22.Rb1 *(22.Qxg7 Rag8∓)*]
[21...Raf8+- 4.94/20 22.e6+ *(22.Qxg7?* loses. *Qxf2+ 23.Kh1 Qxd2-+)* 22...Kd8 23.Rxc5 Rxf7 24.exf7 Bc6]
22.Bb5+ This pair of bishops is nice. White mates. **22...Kd8 23.Qe6 Bc8**



24.Ba5+! Remove Defender. Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /

Black=1.07
1-0

5 **C02**
□ **SpunchBob7** **3025**
■ **GMVallejo** **2914**
Blitz 20.02.2022
[Kitty Kat]

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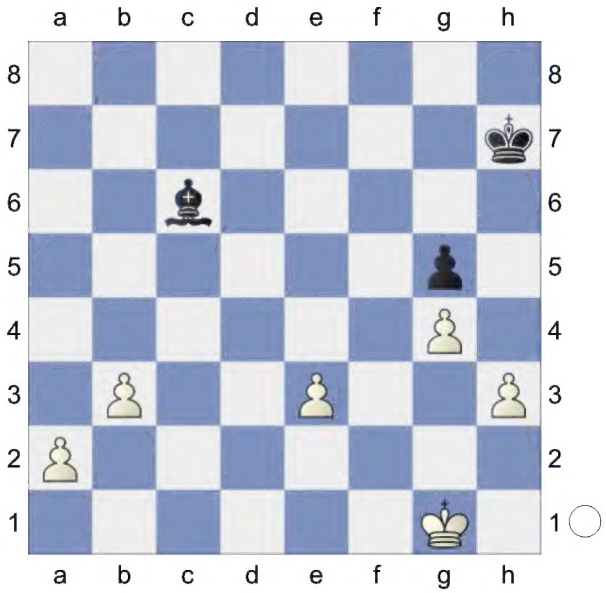
[11...Qc7∓ -0.31/17 12.Rc1 Ng6 13.Nc5 Bxc5 14.Bxc5 Ngxe5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Qb3 b6 17.Ba3 Qf4 18.Rfe1 Kd8 19.g3 Qf6 20.Bd6 Nd4 21.Bc7+ Ke8 22.Qxd5 Nf3+ 23.Kf1 Rc8 24.Bb5 Qe7 25.Bxb6 Rb8 26.Bxd7+ Qxd7 1-0 Csom,E (2369)-Marcinkiewicz,A (2521) Corsican Open 1998]
12.Nc5= Ng6N
[12...b6 13.Nb7 1-0 Kilic,E (2414)-Santos Flores,A (2164) Titled Tuesday intern op 16th May Early blitz 2023 (5)]
[12...Rb8 13.Rc1 Ng6 14.Re1 Ngxe5 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.Bd4 Nxd3 17.Qxd3 22) French Defense: The 'Smer-French Smerden Mbg Mainlines]
13.Rc1 -0.19/18
[13.Nxb7± 0.49/19 Qb8 14.Nc5 Bxc5 15.Bxc5]
13...Ngxe5 0.87/22
[13...Bxc5= -0.19/18 14.Bxc5 Ncxe5]
14.Nxe5 0.45/19
[14.Nxb7± 0.87/22 Nxf3+ 15.Qxf3]
14...Nxe5± 15.Nxb7 Qb8 16.Bf4 White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive. **16...Qxb7** 0.81/16
[16...g6!± 0.43/20]
17.Bxe5± Rc8 18.Rxc8+ 0.67/19
[18.Qh5± 1.08/19]
18...Qxc8± 19.Re1 Bb4 1.16/19
[19...Qc6± 0.53/19]
20.Re3? -0.68/18
[20.Qg4± 1.16/19 Bf8 *(20...Bxe1? 21.Qxg7 Bb4 22.Qxh8+ Ke7 23.Qf6+ Ke8 24.Bf4+-)* 21.h4 *(21.Bxg7? Rg8-+)*]
20...f6!∓
[20...0-0? 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qg4+ Kh8 23.Qxb4+-]
21.Qh5+ Ke7 0.72/21
[21...Kd8∓ -0.71/18 stays on course. 22.Bc3 Bxc3 23.bxc3 Qxc3]
22.Qg4± fxe5
[22...Qc1+? 23.Bf1 Kf7 24.Qxb4+-]
23.Qxb4+ Ke8 1.73/20
[23...Kf7± 0.72/21]
24.Rxe5+- Qc1+ 1.96/20
[24...g6± 1.24/20 25.g3 Rf8]
25.Bf1 1.11/19
[25.Re1+- 1.96/20 Qc7 26.Qh4]
25...Rf8± 26.Qb8+ 0.65/21 **Ke7± 27.Qb4+** -0.01/17 The board is on fire.
[27.Qxa7± 0.86/22 Qxb2 28.Rh5]
27...Ke8!= 28.Re2± 1.27/21 Qb4-a5 would now be deadly. **28...Qf4** 1.63/21
[28...Qc7± 0.98/21]
29.Qc5+- Qb8 2.85/20
[29...d4± 1.44/21 30.g3 Deflection *(30.Qxa7 d3±)* 30...Qf3 31.Qxd4 Bc6 32.Rxe6+ Kf7 33.Rxc6 *(33.Qxa7+? perishes. Kxe6 34.Bc4+ Ke5-+)* 33...Qxc6]
30.h3? 0.73/21
[30.Qxd5+- 2.85/20 is the precise move to win. Hoping for Qd5-h5+. h6 31.Qd3]

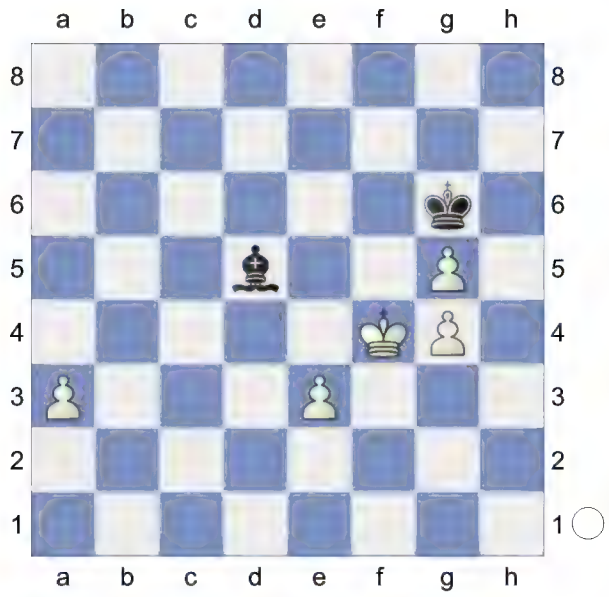
30...Rf5 1.26/20
[⌓30...Qb6 0.73/21 31.Qa3 *(31.Qxd5 Qxf2+ 32.Rxf2 exd5±)* 31...Kf7]
31.Rc2 Qb6 32.Qc3 Kf7 1.71/21
[32...Rg5± 1.10/19 keeps fighting.]
33.Bd3 Rf6 34.Bxh7 g6 35.g4 -0.16/21
[35.h4± 1.25/20]
35...d4!= 36.Qg3 -0.62/21
[36.Qc7= 0.01/23 Ke7 37.a4]
36...Kg7 0.01/24
[36...e5!∓ -0.62/21 37.Qxe5 Qd6]
37.Qe5⇄ White has counterplay
37...Qb5 38.Qxd4 e5 39.Qxa7
[39.Qd1!?]
39...Kxh7 40.Rc5 -0.85/23
[40.Qc5= -0.17/21 Rf3 41.Qxb5 *(41.Qe7+ Kg8=)* 41...Bxb5 42.Rc5]
40...Qa4 0.23/19
[40...Qd3∓ -0.85/23 (→ ...Qd3-d1+) 41.Rxe5 Rf7]
41.Qxa4 Bxa4 Endgame. KRB-KR
42.b3 Bc6 43.Rxe5 Rf3 44.Re3 Black must now prevent Re3xf3.
44...Rxe3 0.71/20
[44...Rf4= 0.01/21 remains equal.]
45.fxe3 KB-KP **45...g5** 1.52/26
[45...Kh6± 0.59/25]

(Diagram)



46.Kf2 0.08/26
[Only move: 46.a4!± 1.52/26]
46...Be4 1.36/26
[46...Bd5= 0.08/26]
47.Kg3 0.41/27
[47.a4± 1.36/26]
47...Kg6 1.02/25
[47...Bd5!± 0.41/27]
48.h4 0.25/26
[48.a4± 1.02/25]
48...Bb1? 2.56/25
[48...Bd5!= 0.25/26]
49.a3? 0.62/26
[49.h5++- 2.56/25 Kf6 50.a4]
49...Bc2 50.hxg5 0.00/26
[White should play 50.b4± 0.95/24 Strongly threatening b4-b5. gxh4+ 51.Kxh4]
50...Bxb3 51.Kf4 Bd5? 2.94/29
[51...Ba4= 0.00/30]

(Diagram)



52.e4? 0.00/27
[White must play 52.a4!+- 2.94/29 Bc4 53.e4]
52...Bc6 The position is equal. **53.e5 Bd7 54.a4** Deflection **54...Bxa4** KB-K3P **55.e6 Be8 56.Ke5 Kxg5 57.Kd6 Kxg4** KB-KP **58.Ke7 Bg6 59.Kf6 Bh5 60.e7 Kf4 61.Kg7 Be8 62.Kf8 Bd7 63.Kf7 Ke5 64.Kg7 Ke6 65.Kf8 Kd6 66.Kf7 Ke5 67.Kg6 Ke6 68.Kg7 Kxe7** White really could win this. Weighted Error Value: White=0.52/ Black=0.48
½-½

6 **C02**
□ **muisback** **3021**
■ **ZhohoFF** **2616**
Blitz 26.08.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Nge7 8.cxd4 Bd7 9.Be3** -0.81/20
[9.Kh1!± 0.42/21]
[9.Nc3 Ng6 10.Bc2 Be7 11.g3 0-0-0 12.a3 f6 13.Re1 Rdf8 14.h4 Re8 15.h5 Nf8 16.b4 g6 17.Na4 Qc7 18.h6 b6 19.Bd3 Kb7 20.Bd2 Ra8 21.Rc1 Qd8 22.Qe2 f5 23.Ba6+ Kb8 1-0 Prezzi,M (1529)-Zanchini,D (1692) Arco op 46th 2024 (8)]
9...Ng6? 1.20/19
[9...Qxb2∓ -0.81/20 10.Nbd2 Nb4]
10.Nc3± Be7 Wards off h2-h4 **11.Na4N** White is better.
[11.Rc1 0-0 12.h4 22) French Defense: The 'Smer-French Smerden MBG: 6...cxd4]
11...Qa5 12.Nc3 f5 13.a3 0-0 14.b4 Qd8 15.Rc1 a6 16.Na4 0.46/19
[16.g3± 0.96/20]
16...f4 17.Bd2 Rc8 1.08/19
[17...Be8± 0.61/18]
18.Nc5 0.12/18
[18.g3± 1.08/19]
18...Bxc5!= 19.bxc5 next Bd3xg6 is good for White. **19...Nh4 20.Bc3 Nxf3+ 21.Qxf3 Qg5** 1.10/21
[21...Qh4= 0.00/17]
22.Rb1± Rc7 23.Rb6 0.63/25
[23.Qh3± 1.14/23]
23...Bc8 1.15/22
[23...Qh6!± 0.63/25]
24.Kh1 Rcf7 1.56/21
[⌓24...Qh6 1.03/19]
25.Qh3

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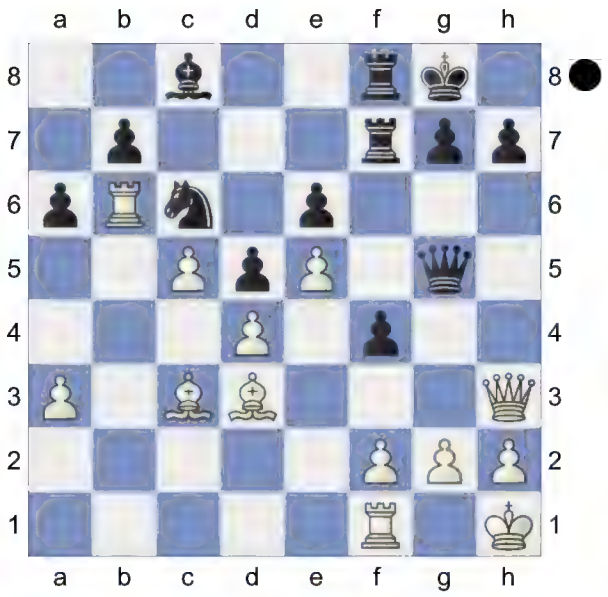
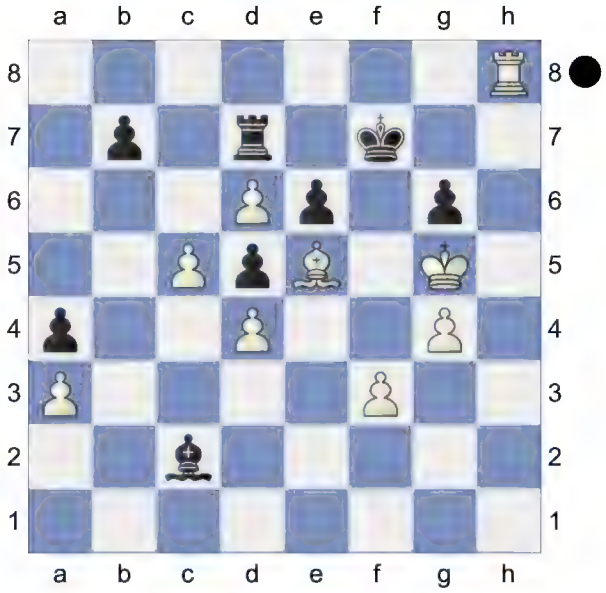


g6 1.78/20
[25...h5± 1.33/20 26.Bxa6 f3]
26.f3 1.23/16
[26.Bxa6+- 1.78/20 Threatens to win with Ba6-d3. Nxe5 27.dxe5 bxa6 28.c6]
26...Ne7 1.66/20
[26...Rc7± 1.23/16 27.Bc2 Kg7]
27.Bd2 1.17/18
[27.a4+- 1.66/20]
27...Nf5 1.63/18
[27...Nc6± 1.17/18 was necessary.]
28.Bxf5 Rxf5 Black is weak on the dark squares **29.g4 R5f7 30.Rd6** 1.03/18
[30.Rfb1+- 1.69/20]
30...Qe7 31.Qh6 1.53/19 White is much more active.
[White should try 31.Rb1 1.11/20]
31...Qc7 2.44/19 Prevents Bd2-a5.
[31...Qe8± 1.53/19 might work better.]
32.Kg2 Rd7? 4.09/20
[32...Qe7 2.03/20 33.Bb4 Qe8]
33.Bxf4 Rxd6 34.exd6
[34.cxd6 Qc2+ 35.Kg3 Qb2]
34...Qf7 6.18/19
[⌓34...Qg7 4.20/19 35.Qxg7+ Kxg7]
35.Be5+- Bd7 36.Kg3 Bc6 37.h4 Rd8 38.h5 Rd7 39.Rh1 a5 40.hxg6 Qxg6 41.Qxg6+ hxg6 Endgame. KRB-KRB **42.Rh8+ Kf7 43.Kf4 Ba4 44.Kg5 Bc2 45.Bf4 a4 46.Be5**

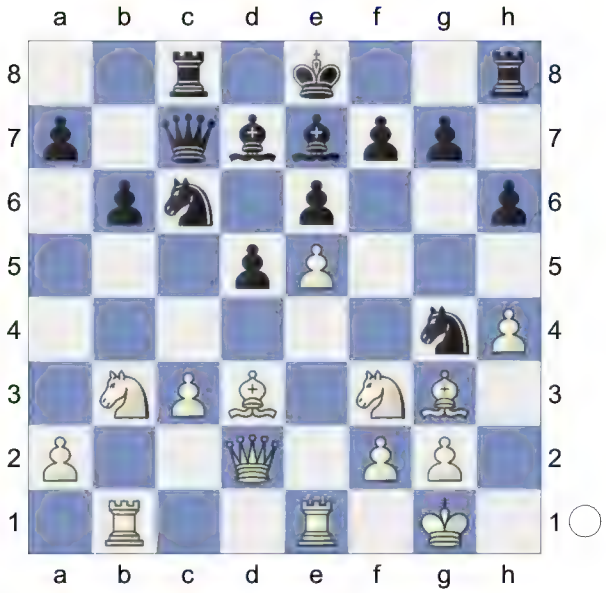


aiming for Kg5-h6. **46...Bb1 47.f4** Kg5-h6 would kill now. **47...Bc2 48.Ra8** 11.28/22
[⌓48.Kh6 24.10/21 Bd3 49.Bg7 Rd8 50.Rxd8 e5 51.Rb8 *(51.Bxe5 Be2 52.Rd7+ Ke8 53.Rxb7 Bb5 54.Rxb5 Kd7 55.Rb7+ Kc6 56.Rb6+ Kd7 57.c6+ Ke8 58.Kxg6 Kf8 59.Rb8#)* 51...Bb5 52.f5 *(52.dxe5 Ke6 53.Rxb7 Bd7 54.c6 d4 55.cxd7 Kd5 56.d8Q g5 57.Kxg5 Ke4)* 52...gxf5 53.gxf5 *(53.dxe5 Ke6 54.Rxb7 d4 55.Rxb5 Kd7 56.gxf5 Kc6 57.d7 Kxb5)* 53...Be8 54.dxe5 *(54.Bxe5 Bd7 55.Rxb7 Ke8 56.f6 Be6 57.c6 Kf8 58.d7 Bxd7 59.cxd7 Kf7 60.d8Q+* Discovered Attack (Check) *Ke6 61.Qd7#; 54.Rxb7+ Kg8 55.d7 Bxd7 56.Rxd7 exd4 57.Kg6 d3 58.Rd8#)* 54...Kg8 55.Rxe8+ Kf7 56.Rf8#]
48...Bb3 49.Rh8 Intending Kg5-h6 and mate. **49...Bc2 50.Rh2 Bb1 51.Bf6** White wants to mate with Rh2-h7+.

51...Bd3 52.Be7 Threatening mate with Rh2-h7+. **52...Bc2 53.Rh7+ Ke8 54.Kf6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/Black=0.69
1-0

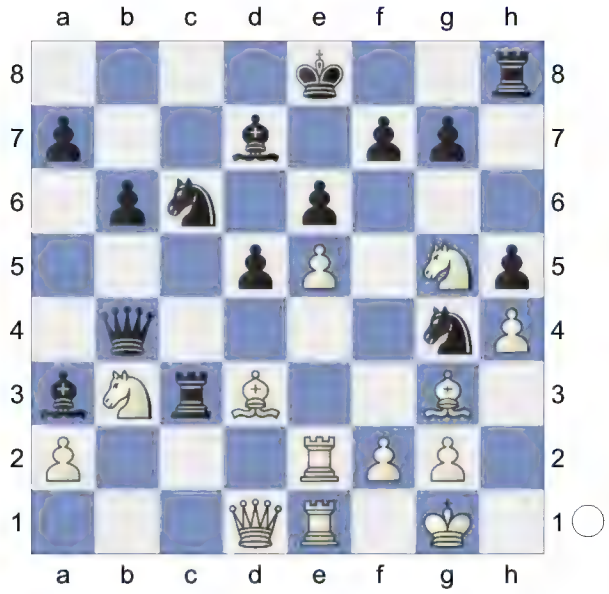
7 **C02**
□ **muisback** **2997**
■ **Vladimirovich9000** **2905**
Blitz 02.12.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 5min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 c5 2.c3 e6 3.d4 d5 4.e5 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.Nbd2** The position is equal. **9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Bc5** 0.37/20
[10...Na5= 0.01/18]
[10...h6 11.Rb1 Qc7 12.c4 Bb4 13.cxd5 exd5 14.Nd4 Bxd2 15.Nb5 Bxe1 16.Nxc7+ Rxc7 17.Qxe1 Nge7 18.Ba3 Be6 19.Bd6 Rd7 20.h3 0-0 21.f4 Re8 22.g4 d4 23.Qf2 Nc8 24.Bc5 Rd5 25.Rc1 1-0 Naroditsky,D (2619)-Bukreev,S (2384) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Late blitz 2024 (3)]
[10...Qc7 11.Nb3 Nge7 12.Qe2 a6 13.h4 Na7 14.Bd2 Bb5 15.a4 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 Qc4 17.Qc2 Nf5 18.Rab1 Qxa4 19.Qd3 Nxh4 20.Nxh4 Qxh4 21.Nd4 Rc7 22.Re3 Bc5 23.Rbe1 Bxd4 24.cxd4 Nb5 25.Rg3 0-1 Mora Velasco,A (1884)-Zschiedrich,H (2067) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early blitz 2025 (4)]
11.Rb1± White has compensation.
11...Qc7
[Reject 11...Bxf2+?! 12.Kf1 Qc5 13.Rb5 Qxc3 14.Rb3+- *(14.Kxf2? Qxd3 15.Rxb7 Nge7∓; 14.Nb1 Bxe1 15.Nxc3 Bxc3±)*]
12.Nb3 Be7 13.h4N
[13.Bf4 h6 14.Qd2 Ba3 15.Red1 Nge7 16.Nbd4 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 a6 18.Rb3 Bc5 19.Rdb1 b5 20.a4 bxa4 21.Rb7 Qa5 22.Qb2 a3 23.Qa1 a2 24.R1b3 Nc6 25.Nxc6 Bxc6 26.Rb8 0-0 27.Rxc8 Rxc8 0-1 Bednar,M (1798)-Matras,O (2184) Ricany op 20th 2022 (1)]
13...Nh6 14.Bf4 Ng4 15.Qd2 -0.17/20
[15.Nbd4± 0.34/20]
15...h6 0.22/21
[⌓15...h5 -0.17/20]
16.Bg3 -0.34/21
[16.h5= 0.22/21]
16...b6 0.85/21
[16...h5∓ -0.34/21 keeps the upper hand.]



17.Rbc1 -0.01/20
[White should play 17.h5!± 0.85/21]
17...Ba3= 18.Rc2 Qd8 19.Qf4 h5 20.Ng5 Qe7 21.Rce2 Qf8 0.29/17
[21...0-0∓ -0.31/19]
22.c4? -1.86/19 Now White is beyond hope.

[22.Qf3= 0.29/17 and White is okay.]
22...Nb4-+ 23.Bb1 Rxc4
[Don't do 23...dxc4 24.Nd2 Nd3 25.Bxd3 cxd3 26.Re4∓]
24.Qd2 Nc6 Wards off Nb3-d4 **25.Qd1 Qb4 26.Bd3 Rc3**



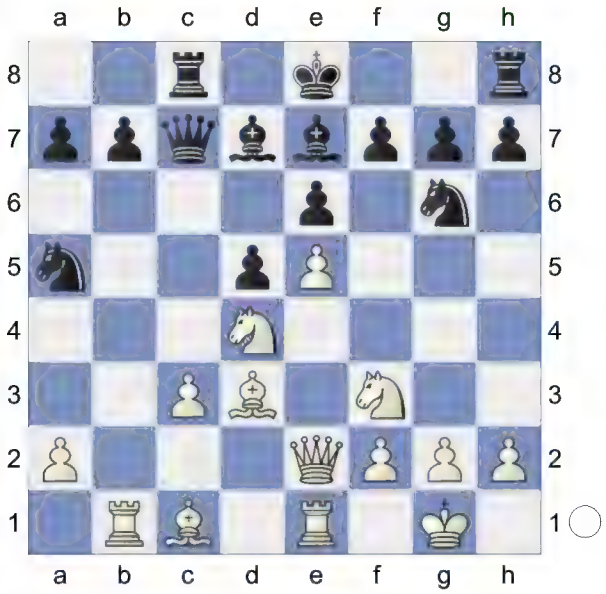
White must now prevent ...a7-a5.
27.Qb1 -3.20/20
[⌓27.f3 -1.70/18 Nh6 28.Bf2]
27...Nd4 28.Nxd4 Qxd4 29.Rd1 Qb4 30.Qa1 -5.18/20
[⌓30.Bg6 -3.27/18 Nh6 *(30...fxg6? 31.Qxg6+ Kd8 32.Nxe6+ Kc8 33.Nf4-+)* 31.Bxh5 Remove Defender]
30...Ba4 Black is clearly winning. **31.Rb1 Rxd3 32.Rxb4 Bxb4 33.Rb2 Bc3 34.Qc1 Rd1+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/Black=0.25 (precise)
0-1

8 **C02**
□ **RaspFish** **2992**
■ **weiawaga** **2678**
Blitz 23.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

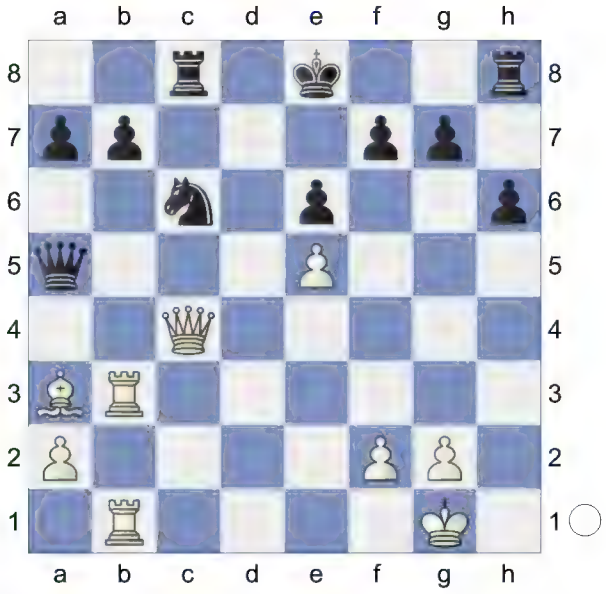
Blitz 5min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.c3 c5 2.d4 e6 3.e4 d5 4.e5 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.Nbd2** The position is equal. **9...Qc7 10.Nb3**
[10.Nxd4 Nxe5 11.Bc2 Bd6∓]
10...dxc3 11.bxc3 Nge7 12.Rb1 White has compensation.
[12.h4 Ng6 13.Qe2 Be7 14.h5 Ngxe5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Qxe5 Nxe5 17.Rxe5 Bf6 18.Re3 Rxc3 19.Rb1 d4 20.Rg3 0-0 21.Bb2 Rfc8 22.Bxc3 dxc3 23.Rd1 Bc6 24.Bc2 Kf8 25.Re3 b6 26.Nd4 Bd5 1-0 Carlsen,M (2863)-Harikrishna,P (2732) Saint Louis Blitz 2020 (15)]
[12.Qe2 a6 13.h4 Na7 14.Bd2 Bb5 15.a4 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 Qc4 17.Qc2 Nf5 18.Rab1 Qxa4 19.Qd3 Nxh4 20.Nxh4 Qxh4 21.Nd4 Rc7 22.Re3 Bc5 23.Rbe1 Bxd4 24.cxd4 Nb5 25.Rg3 Qxd4 26.Qe2 Rc2 0-1 Mora Velasco,A (1884)-Zschiedrich,H (2067) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early blitz 2025 (4)]
12...Ng6 0.39/20
[12...Nd8= 0.01/19 deserves consideration.]
13.Qe2N
[13.Nbd4 a6 *(13...Ncxe5 14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.Bf4 Bd6 16.Bb5 0-0 17.Bxd7 Nxd7 18.Nb5 Bxf4 19.Nxc7 Rxc7 20.Qd4* 23) French Defense: The 'Hect-French Hector Mbg Mainline *)* 14.Qe2 Be7 15.Bd2 *(15.g3 0-0 16.h4 b5 17.Nxc6 Qxc6*

18.h5 Nh8 19.Qc2 g6 Hector,J (2465)-Brynell,S (2422) Malmoe 150/(91) 2021 *)* 15...Na5 16.g3 Ba3 17.h4 b5 18.h5 Ne7 19.h6 g6 20.Ng5 Ng8 21.Qf3 Bc6 22.Bxg6 hxg6 23.h7 Qe7 24.hxg8Q+ Rxg8 25.Nh7 Rh8 26.Bg5 Rxh7 27.Bxe7 Bxe7 ½-½ Ozturk,M (1659)-Aydin,A (1704) TUR-chT 2nd League 2022 (3.7)]

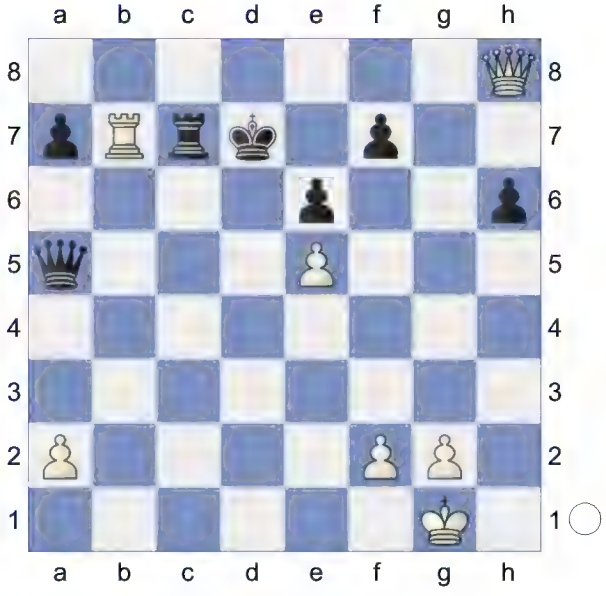
13...Be7 14.Nbd4 Na5



15.h4! Deflection **15...Bxh4**
[15...Nf8 16.Bd2]
16.Nxh4 Nxh4 17.Ba3!↑ Threatens to win with Qe2-h5. White fights for an advantage. **17...Ng6** 0.84/21
[Black should play 17...h5± 0.31/19]
18.Nb5 0.30/20 White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive.
[18.Qe3!± 0.84/21]
18...Bxb5= White now steadily converts the win. **19.Bxb5+ Nc6 20.c4! dxc4 21.Qxc4** aiming for Ba3-d6. **21...Nge7 22.Bxc6+!**
[22.Bd6?! Qd7=]
22...Nxc6 23.Rb3 h6 1.48/21
[23...Nxe5? 24.Qxc7 Rxc7 25.Rxe5+-]
[⌓23...h5 1.09/20]
24.Reb1!± Qa5



25.Bd6! Ne7 26.Qg4 Nf5 27.Rxb7 Hoping for Rb7-b8. **27...Nxd6?** 7.25/20
[27...g5 2.10/21 28.Qd1 Nxd6 29.Qxd6 Qd8]
28.Qxg7+-
[Not 28.exd6 0-0±]
28...Nxb7 29.Qxh8+ Kd7 30.Rxb7+ Endgame. KQR-KQR **30...Rc7**

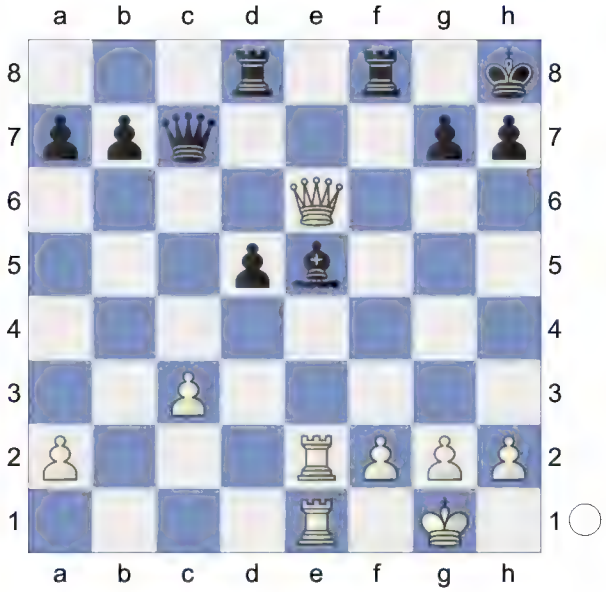


31.Rb8! Kc6 32.Rb1
[32.Qxh6 Qe1+ 33.Kh2 Qxf2±]
32...Kd5 33.Rd1+ Kc6 34.Qd8?

1.03/24
[Weaker is 34.Qxh6 Qxe5 35.Qd2 Qb5+-]
[34.Qa8++- 7.06/21 is the precise move to win. Kb6 35.Qb8+ Kc6 36.Qb3]
34...Qc5? 7.31/22
[34...Qxe5± 1.03/24 35.Rc1+ Kb7 36.Rb1+ Kc6 37.Qe8+ Kd6 38.Rd1+ Qd5]
35.Rb1 Qe7 36.Qa8+ Kc5 37.Qe4 Intending Rb1-b4 and mate. **37...Qd7 38.Qb4+ Kd5 39.g3** And now Rb1-d1+ would win. **39...Kxe5 40.Qf4+ Kd5 41.Rd1+ Kc5 42.Rc1+ Kb6 43.Qb4+**
[Less strong is 43.Qxh6 Rxc1+ 44.Qxc1 Qd5±]
43...Qb5 44.Qxb5+ Deflection **44...Kxb5 45.Rxc7 f5 46.Rxa7** White wants to mate with Ra7-e7. KR-K3P **46...Kc6 47.Rh7 h5 48.Rxh5** KR-KPP **48...Kd6 49.Rh6 Ke7 50.a4 e5 51.a5 Kd8 52.Rb6 Kc7 53.Rb1 Kd6 54.a6 f4 55.a7 fxg3 56.a8Q g2 57.Rb5 Ke6 58.Qc6+ Kf5 59.Kxg2** Qc6-d6 would kill now. **59...Kf4 60.Qg6 e4 61.Qf5#** Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.58
1-0

9 **C02**
□ **Booktester** **2968**
■ **RaspFish** **2991**
Blitz 20.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

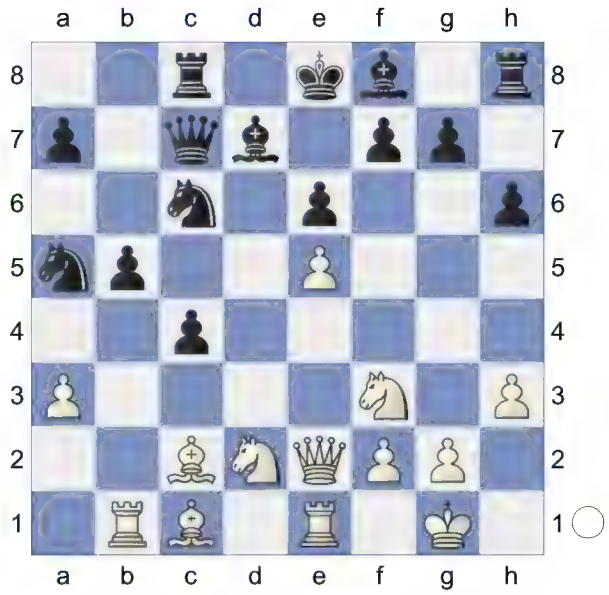
Blitz 3min+1sec C02: French: Advance Variation **1.Nf3 e6 2.e4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.d4 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Nbd2 Nge7 9.Nb3 dxc3 10.bxc3 Ng6 11.Re1 Qc7 12.Qe2 Be7 13.Nbd4 0-0 14.Rb1 f5 15.exf6 Rxf6 16.Bxg6 Rxg6 17.Nxc6 Bxc6**
[17...bxc6 18.Ne5±]
18.Ne5 Rf6 19.Bg5 Rff8 20.Nxc6 Bxg5 21.Qxe6+ Kh8 22.Ne5
[22.Qxd5? perishes. Bh4 *(22...Qxc6 23.Qxg5 Qxc3 24.g3=)* 23.g3 bxc6-+ *(23...Qxc6 24.Qxc6 bxc6 25.gxh4=)*]
22...Rad8 23.Re2 Inhibits Bg5-d2. **23...Bf6 24.Rbe1 Bxe5**



Deflection **25.Qxe5 Qxe5 26.Rxe5=** Endgame. KRR-KRR **26...Kg8 27.g3 d4 28.cxd4 Rxd4 29.R1e2 b6 30.Rc2 Rfd8** The position is equal. **31.a4 Rd2 32.Rc6 R2d6 33.Rc7 R8d7 34.Rc8+ Kf7 35.a5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)
½-½

10 **C02**
□ **aspiringstar** **2966**
■ **Anya6** **2821**
Blitz 15.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.a3** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.h3N** -0.46/24
[10.b4= 0.00/23]
[10.h4 h6 *(10...g6 11.b4 Bg7 12.b5 Na5 13.Nxd4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.a4 Nd5 16.Ba3 Qd8 17.Qf3 Qxh4 18.Nd2 Qf4 19.Qxf4 Nxf4 20.Ne4 Bxe5 21.Bd6 Bxd6 22.Nxd6+ Ke7 23.Nxc8+ Rxc8 24.Rad1 f6 25.Rd2* 0-1 Gorodetzky,D (2492)-Andreikin,D (2729) Titled Tuesday intern op 17th Jan Early blitz 2023 (5) *)* 11.h5 *(11.b4 a6 12.c4 dxc4 13.Nbd2 cxd3 14.Nc4 Qa7 15.Nd6+ Kd8 16.Nxf7+ Kc7 17.Nxh8 Be8 18.Qxd3 Kb8 19.Bb2 Rd8 20.Re4 g6 21.Rf4 Bg7 22.Nf7 Nxe5 23.N7xe5 Bxe5 24.Re4 Bg7 25.Rxe6 Nf5* 1-0 Mas,J (2197)-Belov,A (2421) Titled Tuesday intern op 11th Apr Late blitz 2023 (5)*)* 11...dxc3 12.Nxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Nb3 14.Be3 d4 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Qa5 17.b4 Qd8 18.Nb5 Nc6 19.Bxa7 Be7 20.Bc5 0-0 21.Nd6 Rb8 22.b5 Na5 23.Qg4 b6 24.Qe4 g6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Hayrapetyan,E (2137) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early blitz 2025 (4)]
[10.cxd4 Nxd4 11.Nc3 Nxf3+ 12.Qxf3 a6 13.h4 Nc6 14.Qg3 g6 15.h5 Qc7 16.Bf4 Ne7 17.Rac1 Qb6 18.b4 gxh5 19.Qh4 Ng6 20.Bxg6 hxg6 21.Qf6 Rg8 22.Nxd5 Qd8 23.Rxc8 Bxc8 24.Qxd8+ Kxd8 0-1 Vertongen,W (2285)-Faria,M (2321) Bastia (m/1-rapid) 96/74 2005 (5)]
10...h6 0.28/20
[10...a6∓ -0.46/24]
11.Nbd2 -0.67/21
[11.b4!= 0.28/20]
11...dxc3∓ 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Qe2 Nec6 -0.08/22
[14...Qxc3∓ -0.96/20 15.Bb2 Qc7]
15.c4= dxc4 16.Bc2
[16.Bxc4 simplifies Nd4 17.Nxd4 Nxc4 18.Nxc4 Qxc4 19.Rxb7 Qxe2 20.Nxe2 Bc5 21.Be3]
16...b5 0.91/21

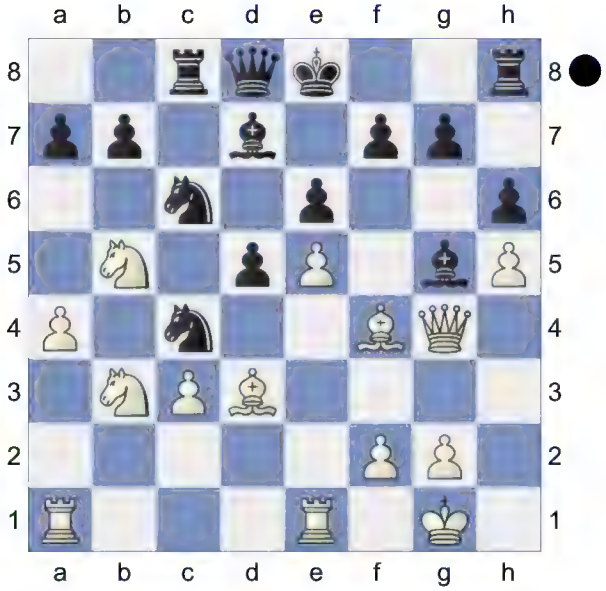


17.Rxb5 0.06/21
[17.Ne4!± 0.91/21]
17...c3? 2.04/20 This move loses the game for Black.
[17...Nb3!= 0.06/21 18.Bxb3 *(18.Qxc4 Nxc1 19.Ba4 Bxa3∓; 18.Nxc4? Ncd4-+)* 18...a6 19.Bxc4 axb5 20.Bxb5 Be7]
18.Ne4+- a6 19.Rb1 Nxe5 3.08/21
[⌓19...Rb8 2.03/21 20.Qxa6 Rxb1 21.Bxb1 Bc8]

20.Bf4
[20.Qxa6 Nec4∓ *(20...Nxf3+ 21.gxf3 Nc6 22.Rb7±)*]
20...Nac6 21.Nxe5
[21.Qxa6? is the wrong capture. Nxf3+ 22.gxf3 Qxf4-+]
[21.Nxc3 Bd6 22.Nxe5 Bxe5=]
21...Nxe5 22.Red1
[Don't play 22.Qxa6 Be7 *(22...Nf3+? 23.gxf3 Qc6 24.Rb6+-)* 23.Rb7 Qc4 *(23...Nf3+? 24.gxf3 Qxf4 25.Rxd7+-)* 24.Nd6+ Bxd6 25.Qxd6 Qxf4]
22...Bb5 23.Rxb5 White is clearly winning. **23...axb5 24.Qxb5+ Qc6 25.Qxe5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.55
1-0

11 **C02**
□ **KQRBNPkqrbnp** **2951**
■ **ToromBot** **2976**
Rapid 30.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4 h6 10.Nbd2**
[10.a3 dxc3 11.Nxc3 Nc8 12.b4 Be7 13.Bf4 Qd8 14.h5 Nb6 15.Rc1 Maheswaran,P (2517)-Id2 (2469) Reggio Emilia 50th 2007]
10...Qc7N
[10...0-0-0 11.Nb3 f5 12.cxd4 g5 13.hxg5 Ng6 14.a4 hxg5 15.a5 Qc7 16.Bxg5 Bb4 17.Re2 Rdg8 18.Rc2 Be8 19.g3 Qh7 20.Kf1 Qh3+ 21.Ke2 f4 22.a6 fxg3 23.axb7+ Kb8 24.Nc5 Nxd4+ 25.Nxd4 0-1 Laan,D (2101)-Kviriashvili,A (1795) EU-ch U12 31st 2023 (4)]
[10...g6 11.Nb3 dxc3 12.bxc3 Bg7 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Qe2 Nc8 15.Nbd4 a6 16.Ba3 Bf8 17.Bxf8 Kxf8 18.Qe3 N8e7 19.Qf4 f5 20.g4 Kg7 21.h5 Raf8 22.gxf5 gxf5 23.Kh1 Kh7 24.Rg1 Rhg8 25.Qh4 0-1 Advik,A (2064)-Ayaan,P (1765) IND-ch U09 37th 2024 (10)]
[10...dxc3 11.bxc3 Nc8 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.c4 Nb4 14.Bf1 Nxa2 15.cxd5 Nc3 16.d6 Nxd6 17.exd6 Bxd6 18.Qb3 Nxb1 19.Qxb1 0-0 20.Ne4 #5 Theory 4C: 5... Qb6-Advance French 5...Qb6]
11.Nb3 -0.09/20
[11.Nb1± 0.32/20 might be stronger.]
11...dxc3= 12.bxc3 Nc8 13.a4 Nb6 14.Bf4 Be7 15.Qe2 Rc8 16.h5 Nc4 17.Nfd4 -0.44/23
[17.Bxc4= 0.00/20 dxc4 18.Nbd2]
17...Qd8 0.04/21
[17...0-0∓ -0.44/23]
18.Qg4 The position is equal. **18...Bg5 19.Nb5**

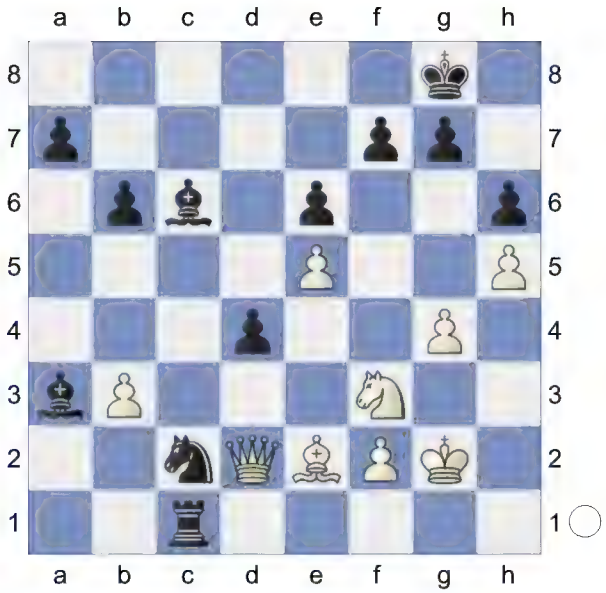


Bd3xc4 would now be deadly. **19...a6 20.Bxc4 axb5 21.Bxb5 Bxf4 22.Qxf4 Qg5 23.g3 0-0 24.Qxg5 hxg5 25.Nc5**

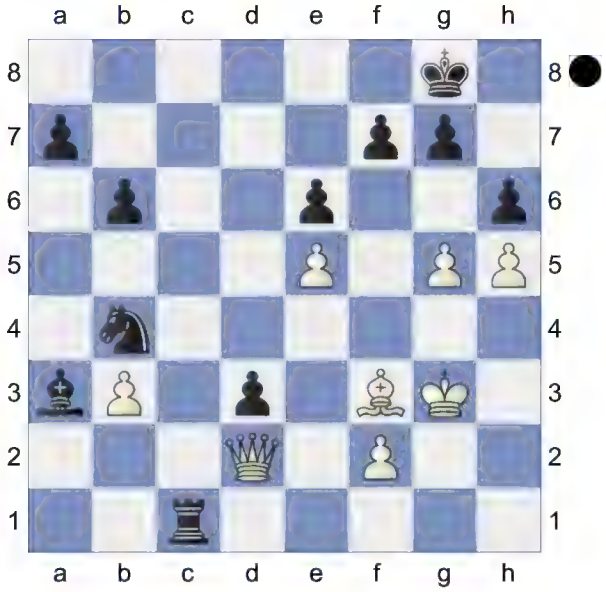
Rc7 26.Nxd7 Rxd7 27.Bxc6 bxc6 Endgame. KRR-KRR **28.Reb1 Ra7 29.Rb6 Rfa8 30.Rxc6 Rxa4 31.Rxa4 Rxa4 32.Rc8+ Kh7 33.Rc7 Kg8 34.Rc8+ Kh7 35.Rc7** Normal Normal. A balanced but interesting game. Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.03 (flawless)
½-½

12 **C02**
□ **KQRBNPkqrbnp** **2950**
■ **ToromBot** **2957**
Rapid 28.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1!** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** White has an edge. **9...h6 10.h5 Rc8 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Ba3 Qxc3 15.Nb3 Nec6 16.Rc1 Qxe1+ 17.Qxe1 Bxa3 18.Rc2**
[18.Nxa5!? Bxc1 19.Nxc6 *(19.Nxb7 Ba3=)* 19...Rxc6 20.Qb4∓]
18...Nxb3 The position is equal. **19.axb3 0-0 20.Qe3 b6N**
[20...Be7 21.Nd4 Nb4 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Bb1 a5 24.Nf3 a4 25.bxa4 Bxa4 26.Kh2 b5 27.Qa7 Bf8 28.Qd7 Ra8 29.Nd4 Bd1 30.f3 Bc5 31.Nxe6 fxe6 32.Qxe6+ Kh8 33.Qg6 Bc2 34.Bxc2 Nxc2 35.Qc6 1-0 Quillan,G (2432)-Polgar,S (2404) Pardubice op-A 2005 (2)]
21.g4! g4-g5 is the strong threat. **21...Nb4! 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Qd4 Rc1+ 24.Kg2 Bc6**
[But not 24...Rd1? 25.Bh7+ Kxh7 26.Qxd1+-]
25.Be2 Nc2 26.Qd2 d4



Strongly threatening ...Nc2-e1+. **27.Kg3 Nb4 28.g5 d3! 29.Bd1** Wards off Rc1-c2 **29...Bxf3 30.Bxf3**

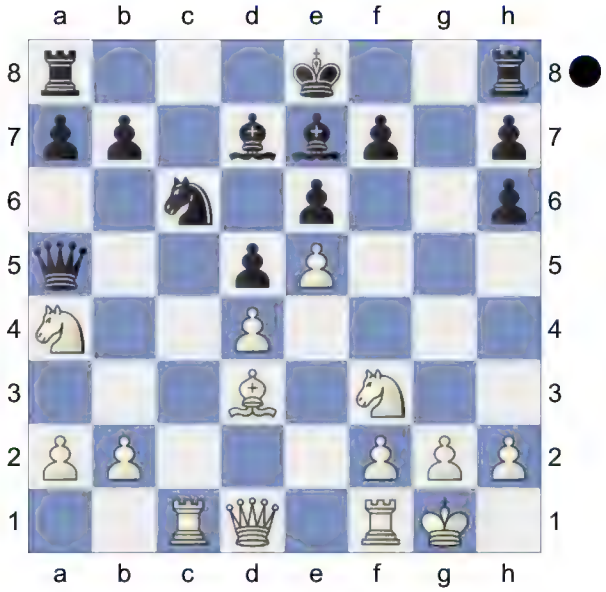


Black must now prevent g5-g6. **30...Rg1+ 31.Kh4** Threatens to win with g5-g6. **31...Nd5 32.Bxd5** Hoping for g5-g6.
[32.gxh6? is the wrong capture. Bb4 *(32...Be7+? 33.Kh3-+)* 33.Qxd3 Be7+ *(33...gxh6?* loses. *34.Bxd5 exd5 35.Qxd5+-)* 34.Kh3 Nf4+ *(34...gxh6? 35.Bxd5 exd5 36.Qxd5+-)* 35.Kh2 Nxd3-+]

32...hxg5+ 33.Kh3 exd5 34.Qxd3 Rh1+ 35.Kg4 Normal Normal. A balanced but interesting game. Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.00 (flawless)
½-½

13 **C02**
□ **ErickShneider2006** **2948**
■ **ZhohoFF** **2712**
Blitz 26.06.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nh6N** 0.75/21
[8...Nxd4∓ -0.34/21 keeps the upper hand.
A) 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.Nc3 a6 11.Qe2 Ne7 12.Kh1 Nc6 13.f4 Nb4 14.Rd1 Bc5 15.Bxa6 Qf2 4) Vorstoßvariante-4C | Vorstoßvariante mit 6.L 16.Bb5 Qxe2 17.Bxd7+ Kxd7 18.Nxe2 Nc2 19.Rb1 Rxa2 1 10. 6. Bd3-Old Mainline 15. Bxa6;
B) 9.Nbd2 Nc6 *(9...Bc5 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nf3 Bc5 12.b4 Qxb4 13.Rb1 Qa4 14.Qxa4 Bxa4 15.Rxb7 Bb6 16.Ng5 Nh6 17.Ba3 Bd8 18.h4 a6 19.Rc1 Bd7 20.g3 Be7 21.Rcc7 Bxa3 22.Rxd7 0-0 23.Bxh7+ Kh8 24.Bd3* ½-½ Mason,D (2067)-Dignam,M (2057) Daventry 4NCL Easter op 3rd 2023 (7)) 10.Nb3 Nge7 11.Re1 Ng6 12.h4 Qc7 13.Bxg6 hxg6 14.Bg5 Be7 15.Bxe7 Kxe7 16.Rc1 Qb6 17.Qd2 Rac8 18.Rc3 Be8 19.Nbd4 Bd7 20.Rb3 Qa6 21.Nb5 Qa5 22.Qg5+ Kf8 23.Nd6 Nd4 1-0 Durarbayli,V (2513)-Shankland,S (2657) Wch Rapid Almaty 2022 (11);
C) 9.Nc3 Bc5]
9.Nc3± Be7 1.72/23
[9...Nxd4± 1.08/19 10.Nxd4 Qxd4]
10.Bxh6 gxh6 White is clearly better.
11.Na4 Qa5 12.Rc1 -0.04/18
[12.Nc3± 1.42/20]



12...Nxd4!= 13.Nxd4 Bxa4 0.97/24
[13...Qxa4= -0.05/22 14.Qg4 h5]
14.Qh5 Bd7 15.Kh1 -0.46/21 White is much more active. The black rooks are passive.
[15.Qxh6± 0.88/22 Qxa2 16.Nb5 *(16.Bxh7 Qxb2 17.Nf3 a5=; 16.Qg7 Rf8=)* 16...Bxb5 17.Bxb5+ Kd8 18.Be2]
15...Qd2!∓ 16.Rfd1 Qg5 0.34/22
[Black should try 16...Qxf2∓ -0.55/24 17.Nf3 Bc6 *(17...Qxb2 18.Rb1=)*]
17.Qe2± Strongly threatening Rc1-c7.
17...0-0 1.06/23
[17...a6± 0.43/20]
18.Rc3 0.38/25
[18.Rc7± 1.06/23 Rfd8 19.Rxb7]
18...Rac8

19.Bc4! Rxc4
[19...Qg6 20.Rg3]
20.Rg3 Pin **20...Rfc8** 1.33/21
21.Rxg5+± hxg5 22.b3 Rc3 23.g3 White has strong compensation. **23...a6 24.Qh5** 0.58/21
[Better is 24.a4± 1.22/22]
24...a5 2.00/26 Black cannot hold the game after this.
[24...Bb5!± 0.58/21]
25.Kg2 b5 26.h4 gxh4 3.12/20
[⌓26...b4 1.96/21 27.Nf3 *(27.hxg5 Rc1+-)* 27...Rxf3 28.Qxf3 Bb5]
27.gxh4+- aiming for Nd4-e2. **27...a4** 4.71/23
[⌓27...Kh8 3.00/23 28.Qxf7 Rg8+ 29.Kh2 Rg7]
28.Rg1 2.80/20
[⌓28.Ne2 4.71/23 R3c7 29.Rg1]
28...axb3? #9/15
[28...Rc1+- 2.80/20 29.Rxc1 Rxc1]
29.Kh2+ Kf8 30.Qh6+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.70
1-0

14 **C02**
□ **dmitrij_IM** **2947**
■ **Rakhmanov,Aleksandr** **2630**
Blitz 31.10.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 c5 2.c3 e6 3.d4 d5 4.e5 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.Be2 Nge7 9.Nc3**
[9.Na3 Nf5 10.Nc2 Be7 11.0-0 h5 12.a3 a5 13.Rb1 Rc8 14.Be3 h4 15.g3 hxg3 16.hxg3 a4 17.Kg2 Na5 18.g4 Nxe3+ 19.Nxe3 Nb3 20.Qd3 Bc6 21.Rh1 Kd7 22.Nf5 exf5 23.Qxf5+ Kc7 0-1 Onslow,A (2171)-Belov,A (2421) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Feb Early blitz 2023 (1)]
9...Nf5 10.Na4
[10.Be3 Be7 11.a3 Na5 12.b4 Nc4 13.Bxc4 dxc4 14.Qe2 Rc8 15.d5 Nxe3 16.fxe3 exd5 17.Nxd5 Qe6 18.Rd1 0-0 19.0-0 Bc6 20.e4 Bd8 21.Kh1 b5 22.Nf4 Qg4 23.Nd5 Re8 24.Qe1 Bc7 ½-½ Skuhala,B (2135)-Zlindra,A (1904) Nova Gorica op 29th 2025 (5)]
10...Qa5+ 11.Bd2N -1.24/19
[11.Nc3!= 0.00/26 was the only way to keep the balance. Bb4 12.Qd3 Qb6 13.a3 Be7 14.Be3 Qxb2 15.0-0 Qb6 16.Rfb1 Qc7 17.Nb5 Qd8 18.g4 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 0-0 20.Bd3 f6 21.exf6 Bxf6 22.Kh1 Na5 23.g5 Be7 24.Nc3 Rc8 25.Ne2 Nc4 26.Bxc4 1-0 Osiecki,S (2055)-Clawitter,C (2050) Titled Tuesday intern op 18th Apr Early blitz 2023 (7) Rxc4 27.Ne5 Rc7 28.h4 Bd6 29.Nxd7 Qxd7 30.f4 Qf7 31.Rf1 Re7 32.a4 Qh5 33.Qf2 e5 34.dxe5 Bxe5 35.Rad1 d4 36.Nxd4 Bxd4 37.Rxd4 Re2 38.Qg3 Rc8 39.Qb3+ Kh8 40.Qg3 h6 41.g6

1-0 Noetzel,T (2055)-Pavlovic,B (2050) 83/160 Leon 2001 (7)]

11...Bb4∓ ...Bb4xd2+ would now be deadly. Black is more active. **12.Bc3** -1.53/23

[⌓12.Nc3 -1.17/22]

12...b5 -0.97/19

[⌓12...Bxc3+ -1.53/23 13.Nxc3 Qb6]

13.Nc5? -2.81/21

[13.a3∓ -0.97/19 Bxc3+ 14.Nxc3]

13...Bxc3+-+ 14.bxc3 Qxc3+ 15.Kf1 Ncxd4 16.Rc1 Qa3 ...Ra8-c8! is the strong threat. **17.Nxd4 Nxd4**

[17...Qxa2? loses. 18.Nxf5 *(18.Nxb5 Bxb5 19.Bxb5+ Ke7+-)* 18...exf5 19.Nxd7+-]

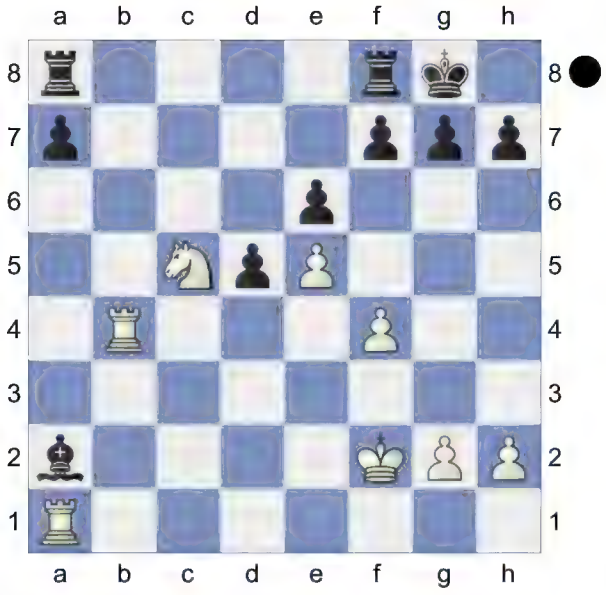
18.Qd2 b4 Prevents Rc1-c3. **19.f4** -3.73/19

[⌓19.Bh5 -2.50/20]

19...Nxe2 20.Kxe2 Bb5+ 21.Kf2 0-0 22.Rb1 -3.77/20

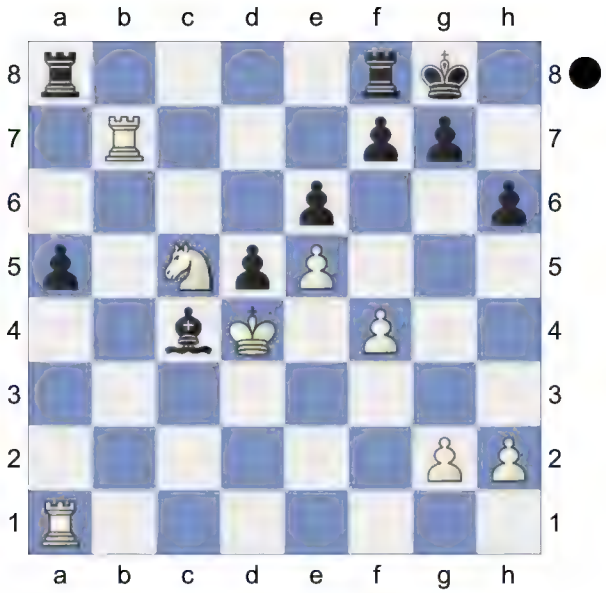
[⌓22.Nb7 -2.58/18]

22...Bc4 23.Qxb4 Qxb4 24.Rxb4 Bxa2 25.Ra1



Bc4 26.Rb7 a5 27.Ke3 h6 28.Kd4

(Diagram)



a4 -0.50/19 **29.Rxa4∓ Rxa4 30.Nxa4** Endgame. KRB-KRN **30...Be2 31.Nc5 Bh5 32.Nd7 Ra8 33.Rb8+ Rxb8 34.Nxb8=** KB-KN **34...Kf8 35.Nc6 Ke8 36.Kc5 Kd7 37.Nd4 Bd1 38.g3 g5 39.Nc6 Bf3 40.Nb8+ Kc7 41.Nc6 Be4 42.Nd4 Kd7 43.fxg5 hxg5 44.h4 gxh4 45.gxh4 Ke7 46.Nc6+ Kf8 47.Kd6 Kg7 48.Ke7 Bg6 49.Nd4 Kh6** White must now prevent ...Kh6-h5. **50.Kf6?** -9.26/37

[50.Ne2= -0.03/32]

50...Kh5-+ 51.Nf3 Kg4 52.Ng5 d4 53.Nxe6 fxe6

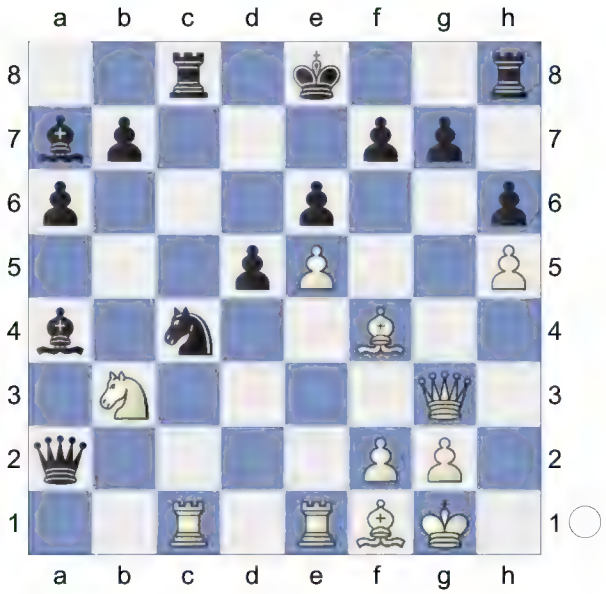
[And not 53...Kxh4 54.Nxd4 Kg4 55.Ke7=]

54.Kxg6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/Black=0.18 (very precise)

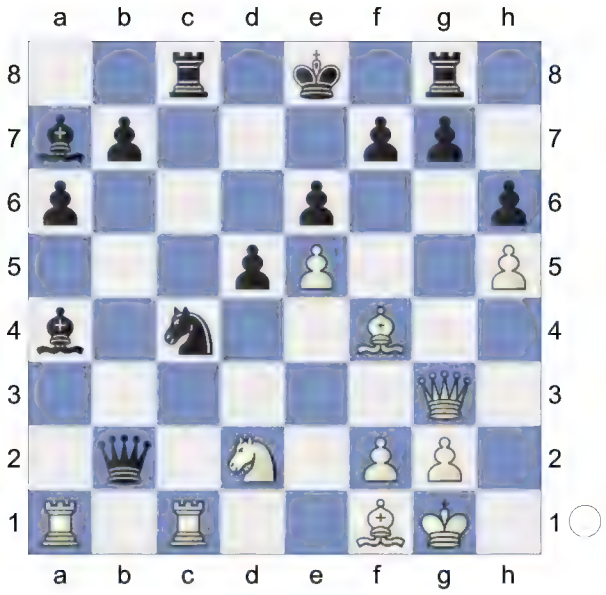
0-1

15 **C02**
□ **RebeccaHarris** **2925**
■ **Anya6** **2779**
Blitz 30.01.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...h6 10.h5 Rc8 11.Na3 dxc3**
[11...Nf5 12.g4 Nfe7 13.Nb5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Bxb5 15.Qf3 f6 16.Bg6+ Nxg6 17.Nxg6 Rg8 18.Bxh6 gxh6 19.Qxf6 Bd7 20.Re5 dxc3 21.Rae1 c2 22.Nxf8 Rxf8 23.Rxe6+ Qxe6 24.Rxe6+ Bxe6 25.Qxe6+ Kd8 26.Qd6+ ½-½ Richter,S (2323)-Celerier,E (2321) (Game 34) Gibraltar 2007 (6)]
12.bxc3 a6 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Bf4N -0.52/20
[14.c4= 0.00/19 dxc4 *(14...Na5 15.Be3 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 dxc4 17.Bb6 Qb8 18.Be4 Bc6 19.Nd4 Bxe4 20.Rxe4 Nc6 21.Qg4 Nxe5 22.Qg3 Nc6 23.Rxe6+* VI.G) French Defence 5...Qb6-8...Nge7 9.h4 h6 10.h5 Rc8: A *)* 15.Nxc4 Nd5 16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 Qxd6 18.Rxb7 0-0 19.Bb1 Rfd8 20.Qd3 f5 21.Qxa6 Ra8 22.Qe2 Bc8 23.Rb2 VI.G) French Defence 5...Qb6-8...Nge7 9.h4 h6 10. h5 Rc8: A]
14...Na5!∓ 15.Nc2 Qxc3 16.Ncd4 Nec6 17.Nxc6 -1.11/21
[17.Ne2!∓ -0.70/20 Qa3 18.Bc1]
17...Bxc6 18.Bf1 Nc4 And now ...Bf8-c5 would win. **19.Rc1** -1.62/23
[19.Nd4∓ -0.80/18 was called for.]
19...Qa3 -0.79/20
[19...Qb2-+ -1.62/23 has better winning chances. aiming for ...Bf8-c5. 20.Bxc4 dxc4 21.Rxc4 Be7 *(21...Qxa2? 22.Qc1-+)*]
20.Nd4∓ Bc5 -0.52/22
[20...Qxa2?! 21.Nxc6 bxc6 *(21...Rxc6 22.Ra1±)* 22.Qg4=]
[Black should try 20...Bd7∓ -0.93/18 21.Rb1 b5 *(21...Qxa2 22.Ra1∓)*]
21.Nb3 -1.66/19
[21.Nxc6∓ -0.52/22 Rxc6 22.Bxc4 dxc4 23.Qg4]
21...Ba7 -1.23/19
[21...Bb4-+ -1.66/19 22.Qg4 Bxe1 *(22...Qxa2? 23.Qxg7 Rf8 24.Nd4±)* 23.Qxg7 Qf8 24.Qxf8+ Kxf8 25.Rxe1 Ba4]
22.Qg4 -2.02/16
[22.Bxc4∓ -1.23/19 dxc4 23.Rxc4]
22...Qxa2-+ 23.Qg3 Ba4?? 2.36/21
[23...Bxf2+!-+ -2.52/19 and life is good for Black. 24.Qxf2 Qxb3 25.Bxc4 dxc4]

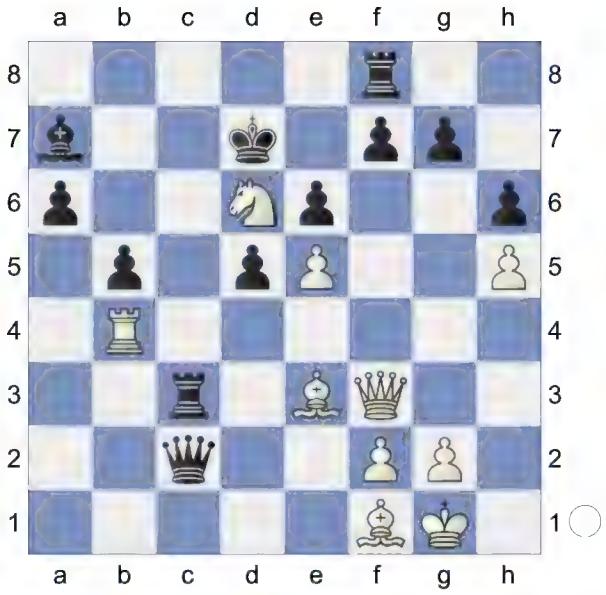


24.Nd2!+- Pin **24...Rg8**
[24...b5 25.Re2]
25.Ra1 Qc2 26.Rec1 Skewer, Deflection **26...Qb2**
(Diagram)

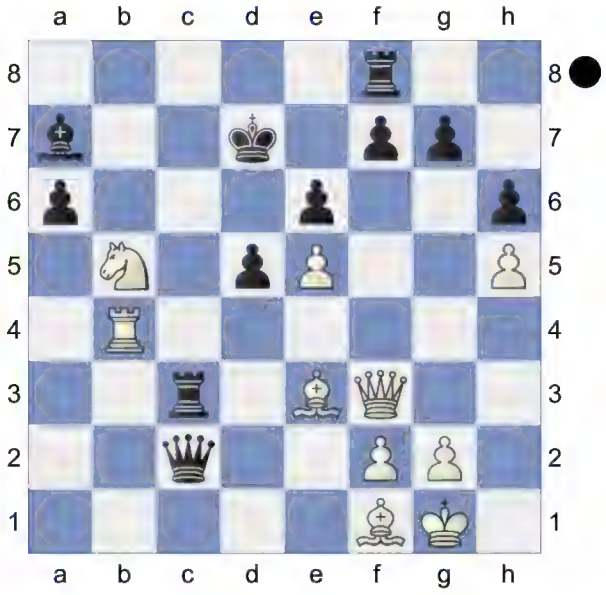


27.Rxa4 2.43/18 **Qxc1** **28.Nxc4** Discovered Attack **28...Qc2** **29.Nd6+** **Kd7** **30.Rb4** 0.93/20
[30.Nxc8+- 2.57/19 and White stays clearly on top. Rxc8 31.Ra3]
30...b5? 2.59/20
[30...Rc7± 0.93/20]
31.Qf3? -0.25/21
[31.Nxf7? Bc5 32.Rb3 Rgf8-+ *(32...Bxf2+ 33.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 34.Kxf2∓)*]
[White should play 31.Nxc8+- 2.59/20 Rxc8 32.Be3 *(32.Qxg7? Qxf2+ 33.Kh2 Qh4#)* 32...Bxe3 33.fxe3 *(33.Qxe3 Qc3±)*]
31...Rc3= **32.Be3** Chess con chili.
32...Rf8 0.67/18
[32...f5= -0.18/22 33.Nxf5 Rf8 Pin]

(Diagram)



33.Nxb5? -1.78/21



White is much more active. **33...Rxe3!-+** **34.fxe3** **Qd2?** 0.00/25
[34...axb5-+ -1.80/27 35.Rxb5 Kc6]
35.Rb3 -1.58/15
[35.Rd4= 0.00/25 Bxd4 36.Nxd4]
35...axb5∓ **36.Bxb5+** **Ke7** Strongly threatening ...Rf8-b8. **37.Kh2** -2.45/21
[37.Bf1∓ -1.33/22 keeps fighting. Rb8 38.Rxb8 Bxb8 39.Qf2 Qxf2+ 40.Kxf2]
37...Bc5? 0.09/24
[37...Bb8-+ -2.45/21 38.Qf4 f6

39.Qb4+ Qxb4 40.Rxb4 Bxe5+ 41.Kg1 Ra8]

38.Qf4 Qe1 Wards off Qf4-h4+

[38...Qd1 looks sharper. 39.Qh4+ f6 40.Ba4 Qa1]

39.Bf1 Rb3-b7+ would kill now. **39...Rd8 40.Rb7+ Rd7 41.Rxd7+ Kxd7 42.Qxf7+=** Endgame. KQB-KQB

42...Be7? 13.29/27

[42...Kd8= 0.00/20 43.Qg8+ Kc7 44.Qf7+ *(44.Qxg7+ Kb6=)* 44...Kb8 45.Qg8+ Ka7 46.Qf7+ *(46.Qxg7+ Kb8=)* 46...Kb8]

43.Bb5++- D e f l e c t i o n **43...Kc7 44.Qxe7+ Kb6 45.Bd7** White threatens Qe7-d6+ and mate. **45...Qxe3 46.Qd6+**

[Not 46.Bxe6 Qxe5+ 47.Kh3 Qxh5+ 48.Qh4 *(48.Kg3 Qe5+ 49.Kh3 h5+-)* 48...Qe5+-]

46...Ka5 47.Qxe6 Qf4+ 48.Kh3 Qe3+ 49.g3 Threatens to win with Qe6-c6!

49...Qg5 50.Kh2? 1.95/18

[50.Qxd5+ 12.28/18 Kb4 51.Qd4+ Kb3 52.Bg4]

50...Kb4? 12.81/16

[50...Qxh5+ 1.95/18 51.Qh3 Qe2+ *(51...Qxh3+? 52.Bxh3 h5 53.e6+-)* 52.Qg2 Qh5+ 53.Bh3 Qxe5]

51.Kg2 White is clearly winning.

51...Kc3 52.Qf5 Kd2 53.Qf3 Qxe5 54.Qf2+ Qe2 55.Qxe2+ Kxe2 56.Bc6 Ke3 57.Bxd5 Kd4 58.Be6 Ke5 59.Bf7 What a bad dream for Black. Weighted Error Value: White=0.72/Black=0.56

1-0

16 **C02**

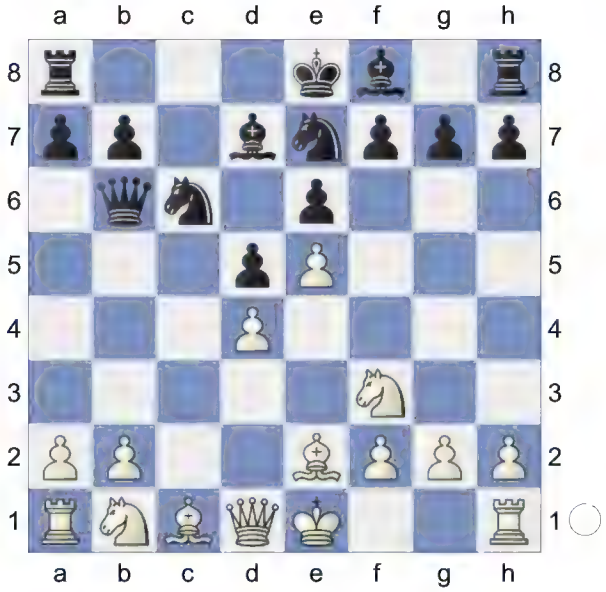
□ **Nikitosikbot** **2918**

■ **faith_bot** **2843**

Rapid 21.10.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.Be2 Nge7**



...Ne7-f5 would now be deadly. **9.Na3 Nf5 10.Nc2 Nb4**

[10...Be7 11.0-0 h5 12.a3 a5 13.Rb1 Rc8 14.Be3 h4 15.g3 hxg3 16.hxg3 a4 17.Kg2 Na5 18.g4 Nxe3+ 19.Nxe3 Nb3 20.Qd3 Bc6 21.Rh1 Kd7 22.Nf5 exf5 23.Qxf5+ Kc7 24.Qxf7 Rhe8 25.Rh7 0-1 Onslow,A (2171)-Belov,A (2421) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Feb Early blitz 2023 (1)]

11.Nxb4N

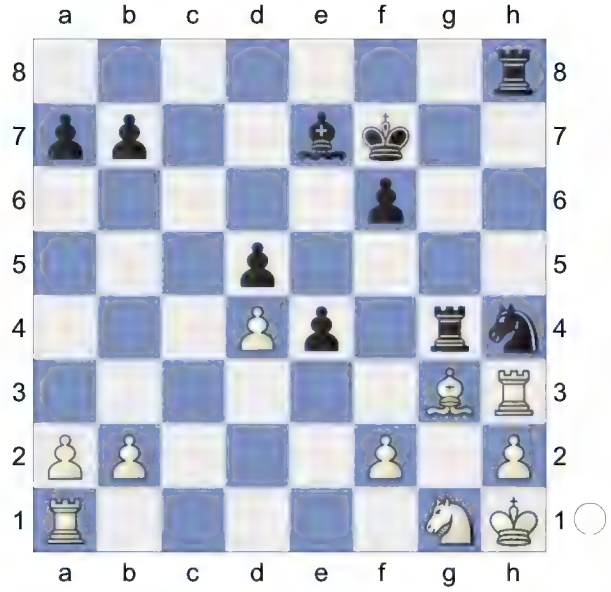
[11.Ne3 Nxe3 12.Bxe3 Bb5 10. 6. Bd3-8. Be2 2*]

11...Bxb4+ 12.Kf1 h5

[12...Bb5 is more complex. 13.g4 Bxe2+ 14.Kxe2 Ne7]

13.g3 Bb5 14.Bxb5+ Qxb5+ 15.Kg2 h4 16.Rg1 Be7 17.g4 h3+ 18.Kh1

Nh4 19.Ng5 Rc8 20.Nxh3 f6 21.exf6 gxf6 22.Rg3 e5 Dodges Nh3-f4 **23.Ng1 e4 24.Rb3 Qd7 25.Bf4 Kf7 26.Rh3 Rcg8** The position is equal. **27.Bg3**
[Not 27.Rg3? Ng6 28.Be3 Bd6∓]
27...Qxg4 28.Qxg4 Rxg4



29.f3! Wards off f6-f5 **29...exf3 30.Nxf3 Ng6 31.Rxh8 Nxh8 32.Rc1 Ke6 33.Rc7 Bd8 34.Rxb7 Bb6 35.Bb8 Ng6 36.h3**
[36.Bxa7 simplifies Bxa7 37.Rxa7 Nf4 38.h4]
36...Re4 37.Bxa7 Bxa7 38.Rxa7= Endgame. KRN-KRN **38...Nf4 39.h4 Kf5 40.Ra3** next b2-b4 is good for White. **40...Kg4 41.b4** Black must now prevent b4-b5. **41...Nh5! 42.Nh2+ Kxh4 43.Rf3 Re2 44.Nf1** Repels Nh5-g3+ **44...Rxa2 45.Rb3 Ra1 46.Kg1 Nf4 47.Kf2 Ra2+ 48.Kf3 Nh3 49.Ke3 f5** Threatens to win with ...f5-f4+. **50.b5 f4+ 51.Kd3 Nf2+ 52.Kc3 Ne4+ 53.Kb4 Rc2 54.b6** And now b6-b7 would win. **54...Rc4+ 55.Ka5 Nd6 56.Ne3 fxe3 57.Rxe3 Rxd4** aiming for ...Nd6-c4+. KRN-KR **58.Re6 Nc4+ 59.Kb4 Nxb6+ 60.Kc5 Na4+ 61.Kxd4** Hoping for Re6-d6! KR-KN **61...Nb2 62.Kxd5 Nd1 63.Rh6+ Kg3 64.Rg6+ Kf2 65.Rf6+ Ke1 66.Re6+ Kf1 67.Rf6+ Ke1 68.Re6+ Kf1 69.Rf6+ Ke1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless)
½-½

17 **C02**
□ **JohnBrondtHojlund** **2917**
■ **Kos1189** **2715**
Blitz 11.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

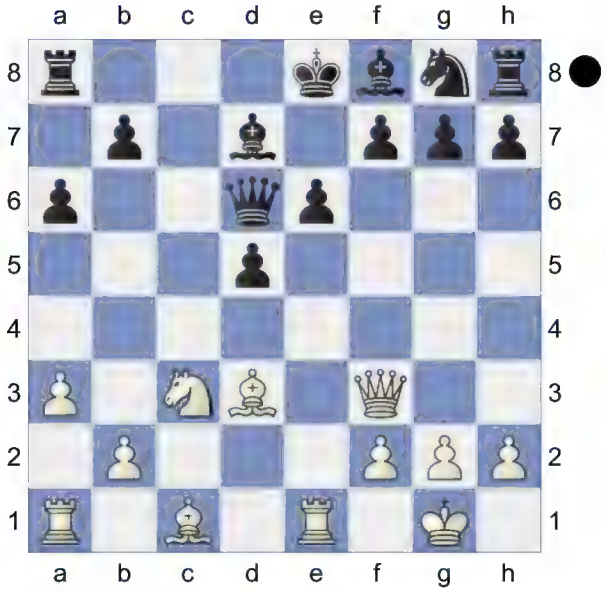
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Bd3 Nc6 6.Nf3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7! 8.a3N** -0.66/24
[Better is 8.Be2= 0.00/22]
[8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 *(9.Nbd2 Bc5 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nf3 Ne7 12.Nxd4 Qxd4 13.Re1 b6 14.Be3 Qxb2 15.Qg4 Ng6 16.Rab1 Qc3 17.Bf1 0-0 18.Bd4 Qc2 19.Rb3 Rac8 20.Rh3 Qd2 21.Rd1 Qf4 22.Qh5 h6 23.Be3 Qxe5* 0-1 Smerdon,D-Sadler,M BCF-chT 1314 (4NCL) 2014 (8.112) *)* 9...Qxd4 10.Nc3 *(10.Re1 Ne7 11.Nc3 Nc6 12.Nb5 Qb6 13.Be3 d4 14.Bf4 a6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 0-0 17.Rb1 Rfe8 18.h3 e5 19.Bg3 Qb4 20.Qh5 g6 21.Qh6 Qxd6 22.Bc4 Qf8 23.Qg5 Qg7 24.h4 e4* ½-½ Italiani,L (1634)-Sobirov,F (1487) Wch U12 Montesilvano 2024 (5)*)*
10...a6 11.Qe2 Ne7 12.Kh1 Nc6 13.f4 Nb4 14.Rd1 Bc5 *(14...Nxd3 15.Rxd3 Qc4 16.b3 Qc7 17.f5 Bb4 18.Bb2 Bxc3 19.Rxc3 Bc6 20.Rac1 exf5 21.e6 0-0 22.Rg3 f6 23.e7 Rf7 24.Bxf6 Qd6 25.Ba1 Qxe7 26.Qb2 f4 27.Rh3 Re8 28.Rg1 Qe4 29.Qf2*

0-1 Baersch,A-Uhlmann,W DDR-ch 21st Görlitz 1972 (13)) 15.Bxa6 Qf2 4) Vorstoßvariante-4C | Vorstoßvariante mit 6.L]

8...Nxd4∓ 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.0-0 -1.68/20

[10.Qe2∓ -0.87/24]

10...Qxe5-+ 11.Re1 Qd6 12.Nc3 a6 Against Nc3-b5 **13.Qf3**



Bc1-f4! would now be deadly. **13...Nf6** -0.75/19

[Black should try 13...Be7 -1.54/20 Hoping for ...Ng8-f6. 14.Bf4 Qb6]

14.Bf4∓ Qb6 ...Bf8-d6 is the strong threat. **15.b4** -2.07/21 This costs White the game.

[15.Nxd5∓ -0.83/17 is the only way for White. Nxd5 16.Qxd5]

15...Be7 16.g4 h6 17.Be5 -2.27/17

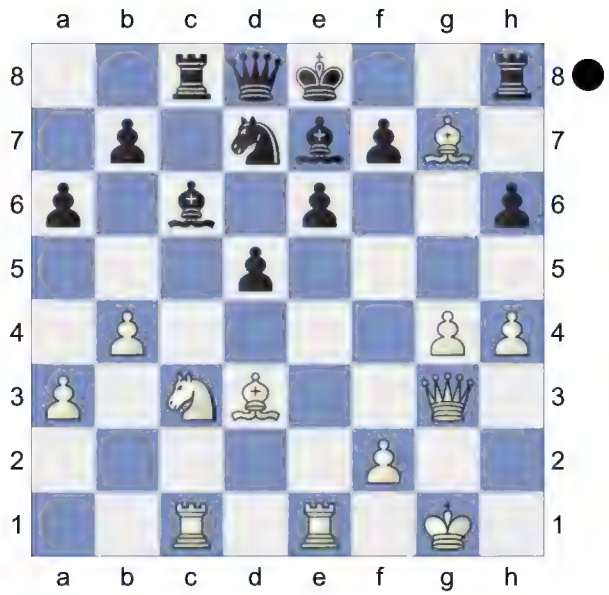
[17.h4 -1.74/19 is a better defense.]

17...Rc8-+ 18.Rac1 Qd8 19.h4 Bc6 20.Qg3 -2.71/20

[⌓20.b5 -1.83/15 axb5 21.Nxb5]

20...Nd7 21.Bxg7

(Diagram)



Rg8

[21...Bxh4 22.Rxe6+ fxe6 23.Bg6+ Ke7 24.Qxh4+ Kd6 25.Qg3+ Ke7 26.Re1=]

22.Bxh6 -3.26/18

[22.Rxe6 -1.96/19 was the only chance. Rxg7 23.Rxh6]

22...Bxh4 23.Qf3 Bg5 24.Bh7 -4.52/20

[24.Qf5 -3.00/20 might work better. Bxh6 25.Rxe6+ fxe6 26.Qxe6+ Kf8 27.Qxh6+ Rg7 28.Nxd5 Decoy Bxd5 29.Qd6+ Ke8 30.Re1+ Re7 31.Rxe7+ Qxe7 32.Qxd5 Rc1+ 33.Kg2]

24...Bxh6 25.Bxg8 Qf6 26.Qh3 Bxc1 27.Rxc1 Kf8 28.Bh7 Kg7 29.Bd3 -6.66/19

[⌓29.Qg3 -4.45/17 Qh6 *(29...Kxh7? 30.g5-+)* 30.Ne2]

29...Rh8 30.Qg3 Ne5 31.Be2 d4 32.f3 dxc3 33.Rxc3 Ng6 (→ ...Qf6-d4+) **34.Rc5 Nf4** -11.82/16

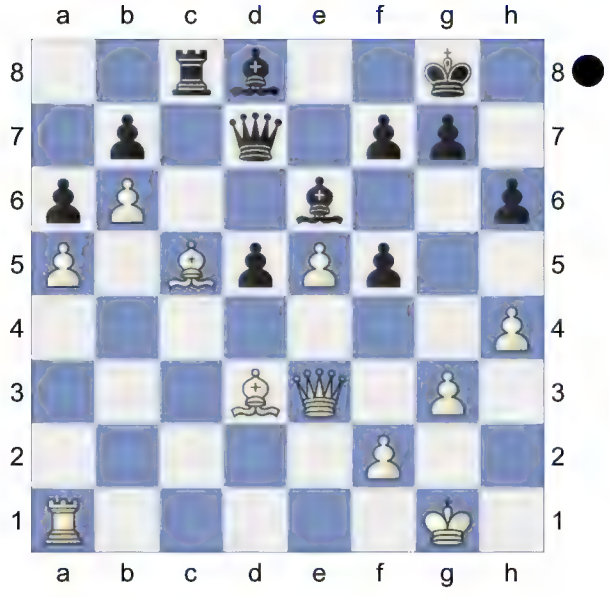
[⌓34...Qd4+ -#14/16 35.Kg2 Nf4+ 36.Qxf4 Qxf4 37.Rh5 Qxg4+ 38.Kf1 Qxh5 39.f4 Qh1+ 40.Kf2 Qh4+ *(40...Rh2+ 41.Ke3 Qe4+ 42.Kd2 Rxe2+ 43.Kc3 Qe3+* Skewer *44.Kc4 Bd5#)* 41.Ke3 Rd8 42.Bf3 Qe1+

43.Be2 Qg1#]
35.Bf1 Ng6 -7.81/16
[⌓35...Qd4+ -#8/15 36.Qf2 Rh1+ Deflection 37.Kxh1 Qxf2 38.Rc2 Qxf1+ *(38...Qxc2* gets mated. *39.Kg1 Bxf3 40.g5 Nd3 41.Be2 Qxe2 42.a4 Qg2#)* 39.Kh2 Qh3+ *(39...Qxf3* leads to mate. *40.Rb2 Qh3+ 41.Kg1 Qg3+ 42.Kf1 Bb5+ 43.Re2 Bxe2#)* 40.Kg1 Qg3+ *(40...Bxf3 41.Kf2 Nd5 42.Ke1 Qh1+ 43.Kf2 Qg2+* Skewer, Double Attack *44.Ke1 Qg1+ 45.Kd2 Qe3#)* 41.Kh1 Bxf3+ 42.Rg2 Qxg2#]
36.Qf2 Rd8 37.g5 Qd4 38.Qxd4+ Rxd4 39.Kf2 Rd2+ 40.Ke3 Ra2 41.Bxa6 Rxa3+ 42.Kf2 Rxa6 43.b5 Ra5 44.bxc6 Rxc5 45.cxb7 Rb5
[Not 45...Rxg5 46.b8Q∓]
46.Ke3 Rxb7 47.f4 Rb5 Strongly threatening ...Rb5-b4. **48.Ke4 Rf5 49.Ke3 Rxf4** Black mates. **50.Ke2 Rf5 51.Ke3 Rxg5 52.Ke2 Re5+ 53.Kd3 f5 54.Kd4 Kf6 55.Kd3 f4 56.Kd4 f3 57.Kc4 f2 58.Kd4 f1Q 59.Kc3 Qf4 60.Kd3 Re3+ 61.Kd2 Qf2+ 62.Kd1 Re1#** Weighted Error Value: White=1.14/ Black=0.83
0-1

18 **C02**
□ **DeadNA** **2917**
■ **CheeseMuffin** **2835**
Blitz 12.02.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nbd2 Bc5 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nf3 Bc5** The position is equal. **12.b4** -0.53/19
Be7N 0.80/20
[Don't play 12...Bxb4?! 13.Rb1 Qc5 14.Qb3±]
[12...Qxb4∓ -0.53/19 keeps the upper hand.
A) 13.Ng5 Qa4 14.Qe2 *(14.Qh5 Nh6 15.Nxh7 Rxh7 16.Bxh7 Qg4 17.Qh3 Qxh3 18.gxh3 Bc6 19.Rb1 Kd7 20.Rb3 Rh8 21.Bd3 Nf5 22.Bxf5 exf5 23.Kg2 Ke6 24.Rg3 d4+ 25.Kg1 g6 26.Ba3 Bb6 27.Bd6 Rh4 28.Rd1 Re4* 0-1 Tsamriuk (2421)-Ruman,I (2461) 8/639 Amsterdam 1969 (5)*)* 14...Nh6 15.Nxh7 Nf5 16.Bxf5 exf5 17.Ng5 *(17.Qh5 Be6 18.Nf6+ Ke7 19.Nh7 Kd7* 10. 6. Bd3-New mainline*)* 17...Bb5 18.Qd1 Bxf2+ 19.Kxf2 Qh4+ 20.Kf3 Rc8 10. 6. Bd3-New mainline;
B) 13.Rb1 Qa4 *(13...Qa5 14.Rxb7 Ne7 15.Ng5 Bc6 16.Bd2 Qd8 17.Qf3 Rf8 18.Rb3 h6 19.Rc1 Bb6 20.Nh7 Rg8 21.Nf6+ gxf6 22.exf6 Ng6 23.Rxc6 Ne5 24.Rxe6+ fxe6 25.Qh5+ Nf7 26.Bb5+ Kf8 27.Bb4+ Nd6 28.Rf3* 1-0 Ughuzov,R (2250)-Baghirov,O (1989) AZE-ch 1st League 2025 (1) *)* 14.Qxa4 Bxa4 15.Rxb7 Bb6 16.Ng5 Nh6 17.Ba3 Bd8 18.h4 a6 19.Rc1 Bd7 20.g3 Be7 21.Rcc7 Bxa3 22.Rxd7 0-0 23.Bxh7+ Kh8 24.Bd3 Ng4 25.Rxf7 Nxe5 26.Rxg7 Rf6 27.Rh7+ Kg8 28.Rbg7+ Kf8 ½-½ Mason,D (2067)-Dignam,M (2057) Daventry 4NCL Easter op 3rd 2023 (7)]
13.Be3± Qd8 14.Nd4 0.13/16
[14.Qd2± 0.82/18]
14...Nh6 1.36/17

[14...Qb8!= 0.13/16]
15.Qd2? -0.29/23 White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive.
[15.Qh5± 1.36/17]
15...Nf5 0.09/22
[15...Ng4 -0.29/23 should be considered. 16.Bf4 g5]
16.Nxf5= exf5 17.a4 0-0 18.Bd4 Be6 19.b5 Qd7 20.Rfc1 Rfc8 21.a5 Rxc1+ 22.Rxc1 Bd8 23.Ra1 h6 24.g3 Be7 25.h4 White has compensation. **25...Bd8 26.Qc3** -0.30/24
[⌓26.h5 0.13/21]
26...Rc8 27.Qd2 Ra8 Black is weak on the dark squares **28.Qe3 a6 29.b6** -0.49/22
[29.bxa6!± 0.31/22 bxa6 30.h5]
29...Rc8∓ 30.Bc5 -1.38/20
[30.Qd2∓ -0.51/22]



30...Be7 0.00/27
[30...f4!∓ -1.38/20 31.gxf4 Bxh4]
31.Bxe7= Qxe7 32.Rc1 Qd7 33.Qf4 Rxc1+ 34.Qxc1 Qc8? 5.73/22
[34...d4= 0.00/26]
35.Qxc8++- White is clearly winning.
35...Bxc8 Endgame.
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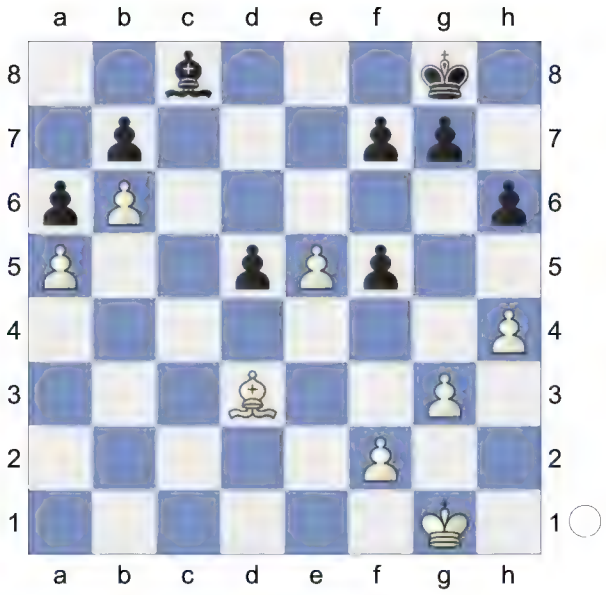


KB-KB **36.f4! Kf8 37.Kf2 Ke7 38.Ke3 Kd7** 11.22/23
[⌓38...Kd8 4.90/21 39.h5 g6]
39.Kd4 Kc6 40.Bc2 Kb5 Dodges Bc2-a4+ **41.Kxd5 Kxa5 42.Kc5 Be6 43.Bd3 h5 44.Bc2 g6 45.Bd1 Bc8 46.Bf3 Ka4 47.Bd5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.58
1-0

19 **C02**
□ **Pigmanbear** **2914**
■ **Jay_Cartwright** **2595**
Blitz 23.04.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...a6 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Qc7 12.Nb3 Ng6 13.Qe2 f6 14.exf6 gxf6 15.Rb1**
[15.Qc2 0-0-0 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.Qxg6 Bd6 18.Qxf6 Rdf8 19.Qg7 e5 20.Bg5 e4 21.Nfd4 Be5 22.Qg6 Nxd4 23.Nxd4 Bxd4 24.cxd4 Bf5

25.Qxf5+ Rxf5 26.Rac1 Rf7 27.Rxc7+ Rxc7 28.g4 Rf7 29.Kg2 Rg8 0-1 Ulms,S (2111)-Dokhoian,Y (2167) Russian Team Championship 2007 (5)]

15...Bd6 16.Nbd4 Nxd4N 0.84/20

[16...Nce5= 0.00/19]

[16...e5 17.Nf5 Bc5 18.Ng7+ Kd8 *(18...Kf7 19.Nh5 e4 20.Bxe4 dxe4 21.Qc4+ Be6 22.Qxc5 exf3 23.Rxe6 Kxe6 24.Qc4+ #10 VI.G) French Defence 5...Qb6-8...Nge7 9.h4 a6)* 19.h5 Bg4 20.Bf5 Qxg7 21.Bxg4 Nf4 22.Bxf4 Qxg4 23.Be3 Rg8 24.g3 Bxe3 25.Qxe3 #9 VI.G) French Defence 5...Qb6-8...Nge7 9.h4 a6]

17.Nxd4 0.22/18

[17.cxd4± 0.84/20 0-0 18.Bxg6 hxg6 19.Qd3]

17...e5 0.78/19

[17...Ne5!= 0.22/18 18.Qh5+ Ke7 19.Bf1 #5 VI.G) French Defence 5...Qb6-8...Nge7 9.h4 a6]

18.Nf5 0.00/20

[18.c4± 0.78/19]

18...Bc5!= 19.c4 dxc4 0.66/20

[19...e4= 0.00/22 20.cxd5 Bxf5 21.Bxe4 Bxe4 22.Qxe4+ Ne5]

20.Be4↑ White is more active. **20...Rb8** 1.21/17

[20...Bxf5± 0.63/20 21.Bxf5 b5]

21.Rd1±

[21.Qxc4? is the wrong capture. Bxf5 *(21...Bxf2+? 22.Kxf2 Qxc4 23.Nd6+ Kf8 24.Nxc4+-)* 22.Be3 Bxe4 *(22...Nxh4? 23.Bxf5 Nxf5 24.Bxc5+-)* 23.Bxc5 Bf5-+ *(23...Bxb1 24.Qe6+ Ne7 25.Bd6=)*]

21...b5 22.Qh5 0.28/18 White is much more active.

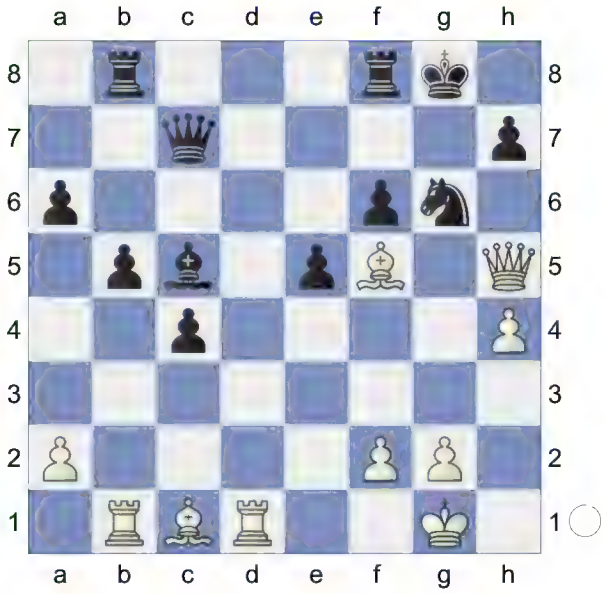
[22.Bh6± 1.35/16]

22...Bxf5 1.78/16 Black cannot hold the game after this.

[22...Be6= 0.28/18 and Black is okay.]

23.Bxf5+- 0-0? 5.24/19

[23...Rg8 1.65/17 is more resistant.]



24.Rd7 White is clearly winning. **24...Qxd7 25.Bxd7** This pair of bishops is nice. **25...Rbd8 26.Bf5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) / Black=0.55

1-0

20 **C02**

□ **PatriciaBot** **2913**

■ **ArasanX** **3058**

Rapid 02.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Rapid 15min+3sec C02: French: Advance Variation

1.e4 c5 2.c3 e6 3.d4 d5 4.e5 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** White has an edge. **9...h6 10.h5 Rc8 11.Qe2** -0.01/21

[11.Na3± 0.40/19]

[11.a3 a6 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3

Nxb4 14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Rb1 Qa5 17.Qg4 Rc7 18.a4 Nc8 19.Bd2 Qc5 20.Rec1 Qe7 21.a5 Qd7 22.Rc2 N8a7 23.Rbc1 Rc8 24.Be3 Ra8 25.Bxa7 Rxa7 ½-½ (38) Zhigalko,S (2572)-So,W (2752) Titled Tue 5. Dec Early 2023 (10)]

[11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Ba3 Qxc3 15.Nb3 Nc4 16.Rc1 Nxa3 17.Rxc3 Rxc3 18.Qd2 Rc8 19.Rc1 Nc4 20.Qb4 b5 21.Nbd4 Nc6 22.Qb3 Nxd4 23.Nxd4 a6 24.a4 Bc5 25.Nf3 0-0 1-0 (39) SexDrugsRnR (2597)-chess with style (2615) Blitz 2024]

11...Nf5= 12.g4N -0.33/20

[12.Rd1= 0.18/21]

[12.Nbd2 dxc3 13.bxc3 Ng3 14.Qd1 Bc5 15.Re2 Nxe2+ 16.Qxe2 0-0 17.Nb3 Be7 18.Bf4 Na5 19.Be3 Qd8 20.Bd4 Nc4 21.Re1 a6 22.Nh2 Bb5 23.f4 Na3 24.Ng4 Bxd3 25.Qxd3 Nb5 26.f5 Nxd4 1-0 (68) benkonian (2611)-educacion23 (2471) Rapid 2023]

12...Nfe7∓ 13.Na3 a6 Repels Nb5

14.Nc2 -0.58/21

[14.Rb1!= 0.01/20]

14...dxc3 15.bxc3 Na5! 16.Ncd4 -0.61/19

[16.Ba3= -0.25/20 feels stronger.]

16...Rxc3 17.Rb1 Qc7 18.Qd2 -1.54/20

[White should play 18.Bb2!∓ -0.43/19 Rc4 19.g5]

18...Rc5∓ 19.g5 -1.61/20

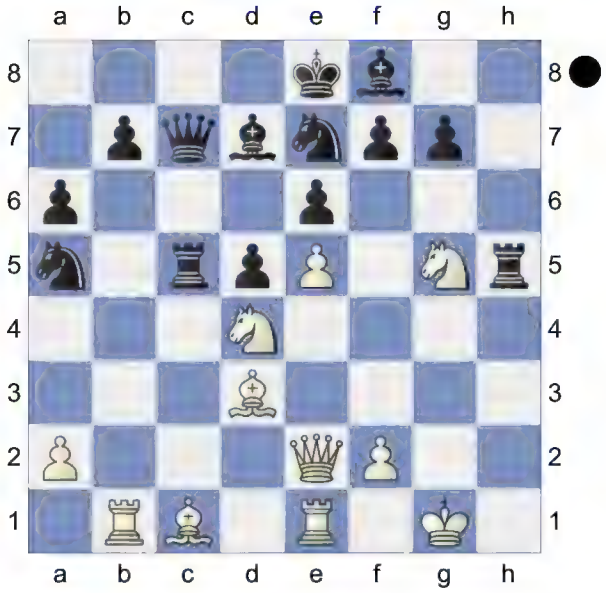
[19.Ba3∓ -0.95/19 Nc4 20.Bxc4 Rxc4 21.Bd6]

19...hxg5-+ 20.Nxg5 Rxh5 -0.64/23

[20...Nac6∓ -1.60/21 21.Qf4 Nxd4 22.Nxf7 Nef5 *(22...Rxh5? 23.Nd6++-)* 23.Bxf5 *(23.Nxh8 Rc3∓)* 23...Nxf5 *(23...Kxf7 24.Bg6+ Kg8 25.Qf7#)* 24.Nxh8 Rc2]

21.Qe2 -1.01/22

[21.Qf4∓ -0.64/23 Rxg5+ 22.Qxg5]



21...Rxg5+!∓ 22.Bxg5 Rc3 23.Bd2 Ra3 24.Bb4 Ra4 Now White is beyond hope. **25.a3** -2.37/21

[25.Bd6? Qd8 *(25...Qc3 26.Nb3∓)* 26.Qg4 Nac6 *(26...Rxa2 27.Re3=)* 27.Rxb7 Rxd4-+]

[25.Bb5∓ -1.01/19 axb5 *(25...Bxb5 26.Nxb5 axb5 27.Qxb5+ Qc6 28.Bxa5∓)* 26.Nxb5 Bxb5 *(26...Qc6? 27.Nd6++-)* 27.Qxb5+ Qd7 28.Bxa5 Qxb5 *(28...Rxa2? 29.Qxd7+* Remove Defender *Kxd7 30.Rxb7+ Kc8 31.Rc7+ Kd8 32.Ra7+ Rxa5 33.Rxa5+-)* 29.Rxb5]

25...Nec6-+ 26.Nxc6 Nxc6 27.Bxf8 Kxf8 28.Qh5 Be8!

[28...Rxa3 29.Qh8+ Ke7 30.Qh4+ f6 31.Qh7 Rxd3 *(31...Nxe5 32.Qxg7+ Nf7 33.Bg6=)* 32.exf6+ Kxf6 33.Qxd3=]

29.Qh8+ Ke7 30.Qxg7 Rxa3 31.Re3 d4 Deflection

[31...Nxe5 32.Rxe5 *(32.Qxe5 Qxe5 33.Rxe5 Rxd3∓)* 32...Rxd3 33.Rxe6+

Kxe6 34.Re1+ Kd7 35.Qg4+ Kc6 *(35...Kd8? 36.Qg5+* Deflection *Kc8 37.Rxe8+ Kd7 38.Re7+ Kc8 39.Qf5+ Kb8 40.Rxc7+-)* 36.Rc1+ Kb6 37.Rxc7 Kxc7 38.Qf5 Rd1+ 39.Kh2=]

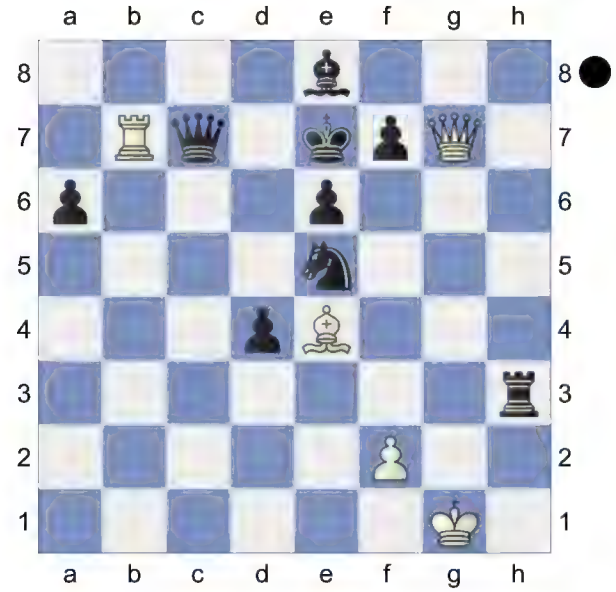
32.Rh3 -2.43/22

[32.Qg5+ -1.69/21 keeps fighting. Kd7 33.Rg3]

32...Nxe5

[32...Qxe5 33.Rxb7+ Bd7 34.Rxd7+ Kxd7 35.Qxf7+ Ne7 36.Bb5+ axb5 *(36...Qxb5 37.Rxa3 Qb1+ 38.Kh2±)* 37.Rxa3 Qg5+ 38.Kh2=]

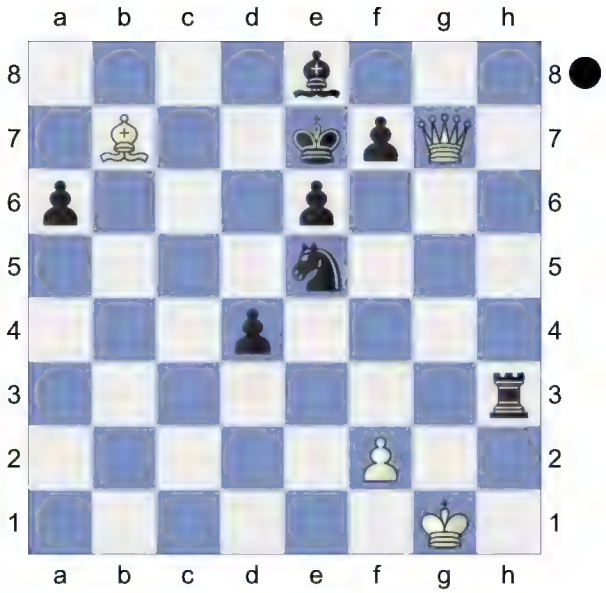
33.Be4 Rxh3 34.Rxb7



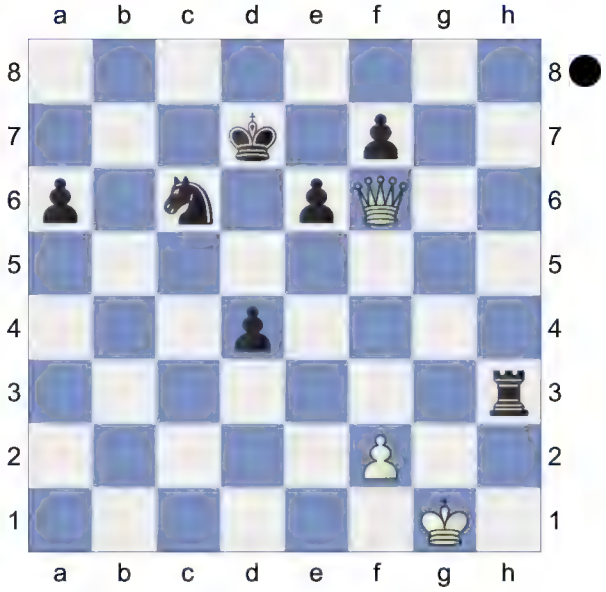
Qxb7 35.Bxb7

[But not 35.Qg5+ f6 36.Qg7+ Bf7 37.Bxb7 d3 38.Bxa6 Rh4-+]

(Diagram)



35...Bc6! 36.Bxc6 Nxc6 Endgame KQ-KRN **37.Qg5+ Kd7 38.Qf6**



Ke8 39.Kg2 -3.49/22

[39.Qf4 -2.16/22 was the only defense.]

39...Rc3 40.Qg5 -5.63/21

[40.Qh8+ -3.01/21 Ke7 41.Qh4+ f6 42.Qh2]

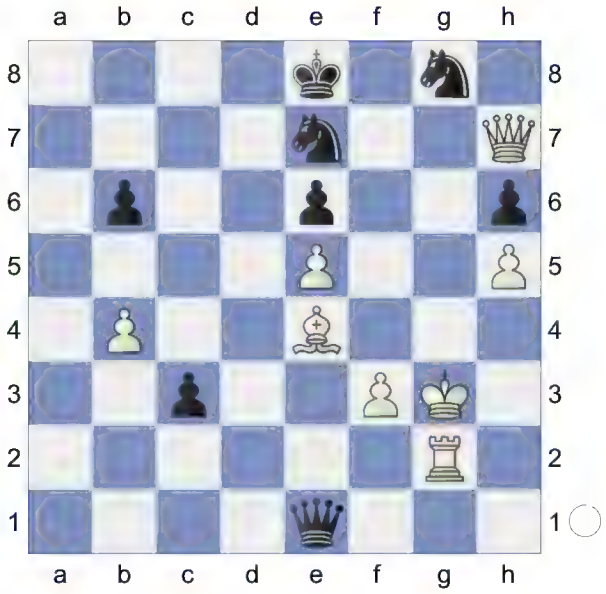
40...a5 Black is clearly winning. **41.Qb5 Kd7 42.Kf1 f5 43.Ke1 f4 44.Kf1 e5 45.Ke2 f3+ 46.Ke1 Kd6 47.Kd2 Kc7 48.Kd1 Ra3 49.Qc5 Rd3+ 50.Ke1 Rc3 51.Qd5 a4** And now ...a3 would

win. **52.Qb5 a3 53.Kd1** Inhibits Rc1+. **53...e4** -13.24/26
[⌓53...a2 -34.29/26 54.Qa4 Nb4 55.Qa7+ Kc6 56.Qa8+ Kb5 57.Qe8+ Kc4 *(57...Nc6? 58.Qa8-+)* 58.Qe6+ Kd3 59.Qf5+ e4 60.Qb5+ Rc4]
54.Qb1 e3 55.Qh7+
Weighted Error Value: White=0.57/ Black=0.07 (flawless)
55...Kb6
0-1

21 **C02**
□ **elconceto** **2899**
■ **jasardo20043** **2875**
Blitz 25.01.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 dxc3 9.Nxc3** White is slightly better. **9...Rc8 10.a3** White has compensation. **10...Nge7 11.Na4**
[11.h4 a6 12.b4 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 Rxc3 14.Be3 Qd8 15.Bd4 Rc8 16.Qh5 g6 17.Qf3 Nf5 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.Nxd7 Kxd7 20.Bxh8 Bxb4 21.axb4 Qxh8 22.Rac1 Qd4 23.Rxc8 Kxc8 24.Qg3 Qg4 25.Rc1+ Kd7 1-0 Pellicer Pi,J (1798)-Pontiroli,L (1687) Sitges Sunway op-A 11th 2024 (5)]
11...Qc7 12.b4 Ng6 13.Bb2 Qb8N 0.78/22
[13...Be7± 0.40/19 14.Rc1]
14.Rc1± Be7 Repels h2-h4 **15.Nc5! Bxc5 16.Rxc5 0-0** 1.49/18
[⌓16...a6 0.89/19]
17.h4! h6 2.48/20
[17...b6± 1.51/19 18.Rc1 d4]
18.h5!+- Nge7 19.Bb1 Black is weak on the dark squares **19...Rfd8 20.Qd3 Kf8 21.Qh7 Ng8 22.g4** 2.31/19
[⌓22.Rc3 4.81/19]
22...b6 3.34/20
[22...Nce7 2.31/19 is a better defense. 23.g5 Rxc5 24.bxc5 hxg5]
23.Rc3 Nce7 24.g5 Rc3-e3 would now be deadly. **24...Rc4** 3.14/19
[24...Rxc3 1.94/21 was called for. 25.Bxc3 Qc7 26.gxh6 gxh6]
25.Rxc4 dxc4 26.g6? 0.00/23
[26.gxh6+- 2.84/19 Nxh6 27.Qh8+ Neg8 28.Ng5]
26...fxg6= aiming for ...Bd7-e8. **27.Nd4**
[27.Bxg6 Nxg6 28.Qxg6 *(28.hxg6? Bc6-+)* 28...Ne7=]
[27.hxg6 Bc6∓]
27...Qc8 28.Re3
[28.Bxg6? c3 29.Ba1 *(29.Bc1? Be8-+)* 29...Be8 30.Bxc3 Bxg6 *(30...Nxg6 31.hxg6 Qxc3 32.Nxe6+ Ke7 33.Qxg7+ Kxe6 34.Qxg8+ Kd7 35.Rd1+ Kc7 36.Qg7+ Rd7 37.Rxd7+ Bxd7 38.Qf6=)* 31.hxg6 Qxc3-+]
28...Bc6 Dodges Re3-f3+
[28...Nf5? 29.Bxf5 exf5 30.e6+- *(30.hxg6 Be6∓)*]
29.Bxg6 -1.07/23
[29.hxg6 Rxd4 30.Bxd4 Qd7-+]
[29.Nxc6!= 0.00/23 Qxc6 30.Be4]
29...Ba8? 2.51/21 Dancing on a razor blade.
[29...Rxd4∓ -1.07/23 and life is bright. 30.Bxd4 Nxg6 31.Qxg6 *(31.hxg6? Qd7-+)* 31...Ne7]
30.Kh2?? -3.87/23
[30.Bc2!+- 2.51/21]
30...a5?? 3.41/20
[30...Rxd4!-+ -3.87/23 31.Bxd4 Qd8]
31.Rg3+- axb4? 5.68/22
[31...Rxd4 3.40/24 32.Bxd4 Qc6]

32.axb4
[32.Bc2 b3 33.Qxg7+ Ke8 34.Bg6+ Kd7±]
32...Rxd4 33.Bxd4 This pair of bishops is nice. **33...Qc6 34.f3! Qd5 35.Be4?** 0.93/21
[35.Bxb6 Qxe5 36.Kh3 Qf6±]
[35.Bc3+- 2.86/19 Qd1 36.Qxg7+ Decoy Kxg7 37.Bc2+ Discovered Attack (Check) Kf7 38.Bxd1]
35...Qxd4± 36.Qxg7+
[36.Bxa8? Nf5 *(36...Qxe5? 37.Be4-+)* 37.Rg2 Qxe5+ 38.Kh3 Nf6 39.Qh8+ Kf7-+]
36...Ke8 37.Bxa8 Kh2-h3 is the strong threat. **37...c3** Threatens to win with ... c3-c2! **38.Be4** 0.00/24
[38.Bc6+!± 0.59/19 Nxc6 39.Qxg8+ Kd7 40.Qh7+ Kc8 41.Rg8+ *(41.Qxh6 Qf2+ 42.Kh3 Qf1+ 43.Kh4 Nd4±)* 41...Nd8 42.Qc2 *(42.Qxh6 Qf2+ 43.Rg2 Qh4+ 44.Kg1 Qe1+ 45.Kh2 Qh4+ 46.Kg1 Qe1+ 47.Kh2 Qh4+=)*]
38...Qd2+? 5.71/22
[38...c2= 0.00/24 39.Bg6+ *(39.Bxc2 Qf2+ 40.Rg2 Qh4+ 41.Kg1 Qe1+ 42.Kh2 Qh4+ 43.Kg1 Qe1+ 44.Kh2 Qh4+=)* 39...Kd7 40.Bxc2 Qf2+ 41.Rg2 Qh4+ 42.Kg1 Qe1+ 43.Kh2 Qh4+ 44.Kg1 Qe1+ 45.Kh2 Qh4+]
39.Rg2+- Qf4+ 40.Kh3 Qc1 41.Rc2 Qh1+ 42.Rh2
[42.Kg3 Qg1+ 43.Rg2 Qh1+-]
42...Qf1+
[42...Qd1]
43.Rg2 2.19/17
[⩲43.Qg2 4.33/21 Qb5 44.Qg3]
43...Qc1 7.14/16 **44.Qh7** 3.03/19
[⩲44.Rg1 7.14/16 Qf4 45.Rd1]
44...Qh1+ 45.Rh2 Qf1+ 46.Rg2 0.31/18
[White has to play 46.Kg3!± 1.53/19]
46...Qh1+? 2.80/29
[46...c2!± 0.31/18 47.Bxc2 Qxf3+ 48.Kh2 Qxh5+ 49.Kg1 Qxe5]
47.Kg3 And now Kg3-f2 would win.
47...Qe1+



48.Kh3? 0.00/18
[48.Kg4!+- 2.54/27]
48...c2? #8/15 **49.Bxc2?** 2.50/16
[49.Bc6+ #8/15 mates Kd8 50.Qd3+ *(50.Rxg8+ Kc7 51.Qxe7+ Kxc6 52.Qd6+ Kb5 53.Qd3+ Ka4 54.Qxc2+ Kb5 55.Qd3+ Ka4)* 50...Nd5 51.Rxg8+ Kc7 52.Rc8+ Decoy *(52.Bxd5 Qh1+ 53.Kg4 Qg2+ 54.Kh4 Qh2+ 55.Kg4 Qg2+ 56.Kh4 Qh2+ 57.Kg4 Qg2+=)* 52...Kxc8 53.Qa6+ *(53.Qxc2 Qh1+ 54.Kg3 Qg1+ 55.Qg2 Qe1+ 56.Kh2 Qxe5+ 57.Kg1 Qe3+ 58.Kh2 Qf4+ 59.Kh3 Qf5+ 60.Qg4 Nf6∓* Pin *)* 53...Kd8 54.Qa8+ Kc7 55.Qb7+ Kd8 56.Qd7#]
49...Kd7? 7.91/19
[49...Qh1+ 2.50/16 50.Kg3 Qe1+ 51.Kg4 Qxe5 52.Bg6+ Kd7]
50.Qd3+
[50.Rxg8 Qh1+ 51.Kg4 Qg1+ 52.Kf4 Qc1+ 53.Kg3 Qg1+ 54.Kf4

Qc1+ 55.Kg3 Qg1+ 56.Kh3 Qh1+ 57.Kg4 Qg1+ 58.Kh3 Qh1+=]

50...Ke8 51.Qd2 4.25/21

[⌓51.Ba4+ #4/16 b5 52.Qxb5+ *(52.Bxb5+ Kf8 53.Qd8+ Kf7 54.Qe8#)* 52...Nc6 53.Qxc6+ Kf8 54.Qe8#]

51...Qh1+ 52.Kg3 Hoping for Bc2-g6+.

52...Qa1 53.Bg6+ Kf8 54.Kh2 4.08/17

[⌓54.Qf4+ 16.75/21 Nf5+ 55.Bxf5 exf5 56.Kh2 *(56.Qxf5+ Ke8 57.Kh2 Ne7 58.Qe6 Kd8 59.Qxb6+ Ke8 60.Qe6 Kf8 61.Qxh6+ Ke8)* 56...Ne7 57.Qxh6+ Ke8 58.Qh8+ *(58.Qxb6 Qxe5+ 59.Kh3 Qe1+-)* 58...Kd7 59.e6+ Kd6 60.Qxa1]

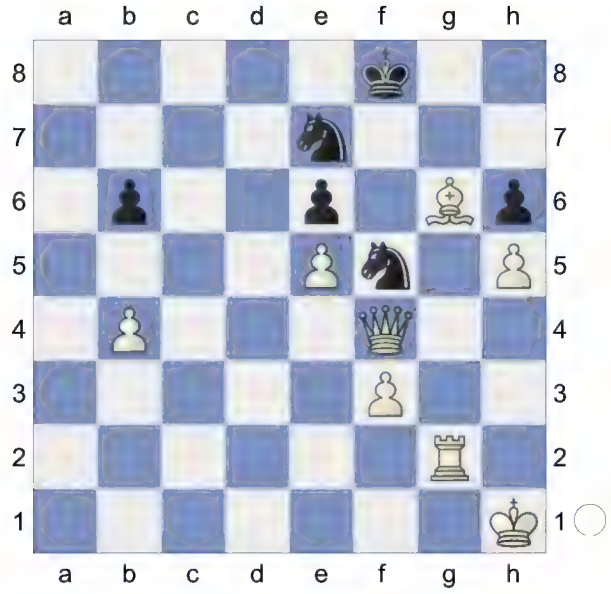
54...Nf5 #3/15

[54...Qxe5++- 4.08/17 55.Kg1 Nd5]

55.Qf4 5.96/19

[⌓55.Qd8+ #3/15 Kg7 56.Bh7+ Decoy Kxh7 57.Qxg8#]

55...Qh1+ 56.Kxh1 Nge7



57.Qxf5+ 11.29/24 **Kg7** Weighted Error Value: White=1.12/Black=0.95. Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?

0-1

22 **C02**

□ **elconceto** **2897**

■ **ZhohoFF** **2605**

Blitz 25.01.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6 9.Nbd2** -1.09/20

[9.a3= 0.29/18]

[9.h3 Be7 *(9...Rc8 10.a3 a6 11.b4 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nxb4 13.Na4 Bxa4 14.Qxa4+ Qc6 15.axb4 Qxa4 16.Rxa4 Be7 17.b5 0-0 18.bxa6 bxa6 19.Rxa6 Bb4 20.Rd1 Rfd8 21.Nd4 Bc3 22.Nc6 Re8 23.Bxh6 gxh6 24.Bb1* 1-0 Bodnaruk,A (2334)-Nakhbayeva,G (2326) Titled Tuesday intern op 28th Jan Early blitz 2025 (1) *)* 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Nf5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 h6 14.Bf4 Qd8 15.g4 Nh4 16.Nxh4 Bxh4 17.Nc5 0-0 18.Nxb7 Qc7 19.Nd6 Rab8 20.g5 Rxb1 21.Bxb1 g6 22.gxh6 Kh8 23.Qg4 Be7 1-0 Mercado Florez,D (2654)-Chaudagne,C (2672) 1992 (7.1)]

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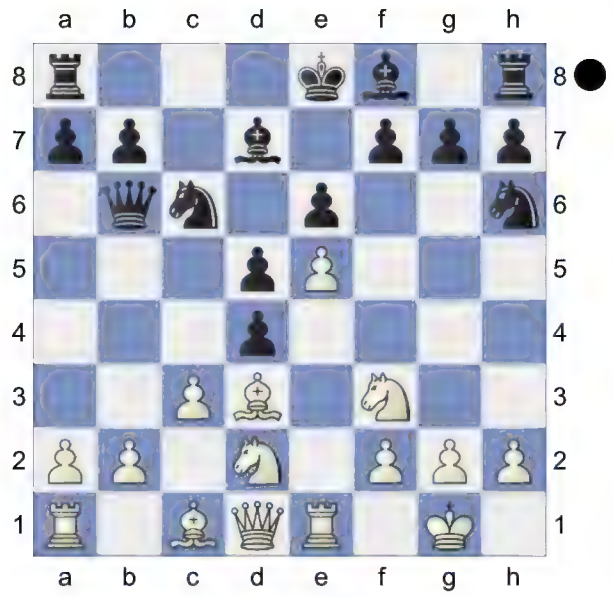
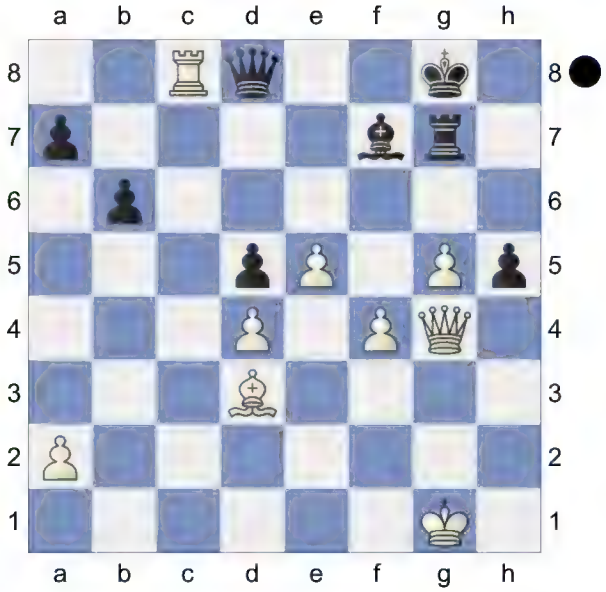


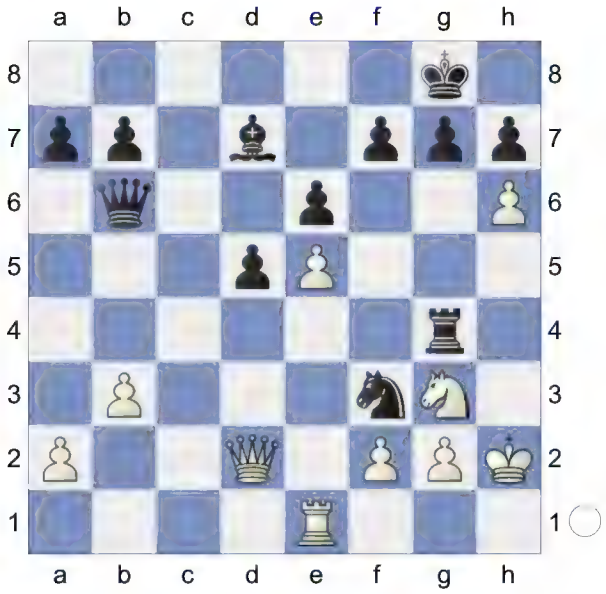
9...Be7N 0.39/21
[9...dxc3!∓ -1.09/20 ...Nh6-g4 is the strong threat. 10.Nb3 *(10.bxc3 Ng4∓ 11.Re2 Bc5 12.Qe1 Nxf2 13.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 14.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 15.Kxf2 f6 16.exf6 gxf6 17.Ba3 e5 18.c4 d4 19.Ne4 Kf7 20.Nh4 b6 21.Rf1 Kg7 22.Ke1 Rhf8 23.Bxf8+ Rxf8 24.Nd6 Ne7 25.Nhf5+ Nxf5* 1-0 Borger,D (1829)-Abraham,M Hebraica op 29th 2022 (4) *)* 10...Ng4]
10.Nb3± dxc3 11.bxc3 0-0 12.Rb1
[12.Bxh6 is more complex. gxh6 13.Qd2 Kg7 14.Nbd4]
12...Qc7 0.92/19
[12...Nf5!± 0.37/20]
13.Bxh6± gxh6 14.Qd2
[14.Qc1 seems wilder. Kg7 15.Qf4 Rac8 16.Nc5]
14...f5 1.27/21
[⩲14...Kg7 0.81/23]
15.Qxh6 Rf7 16.Nbd4 Nxd4 17.cxd4 Bf8 18.Qh5 0.74/20
[⩲18.Qe3 1.33/21]
18...b6 1.58/22
[Black should try 18...Rg7 0.74/20]
19.Rbc1→ 0.52/20 White mounts an attack.
[19.Ng5± 1.58/22 Rg7 20.Re3]
19...Qd8± 20.Ng5 Rg7 21.h4 Be7 22.f4
[22.Bb5 simplifies Bxg5 23.Bxd7 Qxd7 24.hxg5 Rc8 25.Rxc8+ Qxc8 26.g3]
22...Rc8 0.89/19
[22...b5± 0.43/19]
23.g4 0.39/20
[23.Qh6± 0.89/19 Qf8 24.Kh2 *(24.Nxe6?* is the wrong capture. *Rxg2+* Discovered Attack *25.Kxg2 Qxh6-+)*]
23...Rxc1 1.14/18
[Better is 23...Bb4!± 0.39/20]
24.Rxc1± Hoping for g4xf5. **24...Be8**
25.Qh6 White has more active pieces.
25...Bxg5 26.hxg5 fxg4? 6.30/19
A mistake that costs the game.
[26...Rc7± 1.29/20 27.Rxc7 *(27.Qxe6+ Bf7∓)* 27...Qxc7]
27.Qxe6++- White is clearly winning.
27...Bf7 28.Qxg4 h5 29.Rc8



Pin **29...hxg4 30.Rxd8+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/Black=0.50
1-0

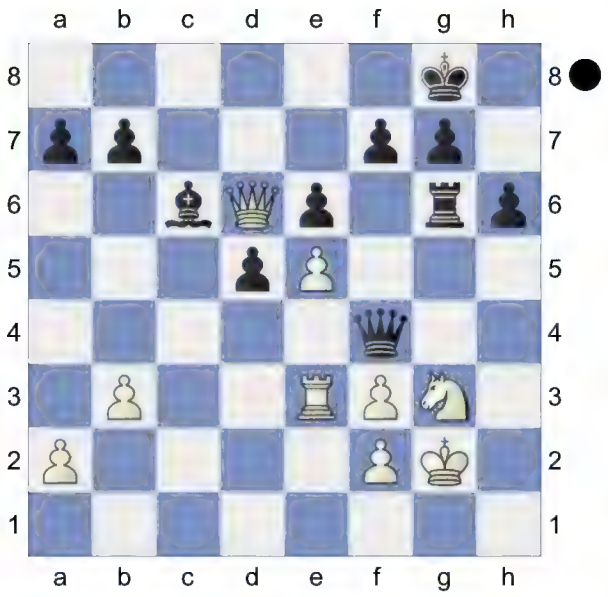
23 **C02**
□ **Herushkanamura** **2895**
■ **SEXY_BOY_007** **2983**
Blitz 29.01.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4**
[1.Nf3]
1...e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 dxc3 0.42/18
[8...Nge7= 0.05/20]
9.Nxc3± White is slightly better. **9...Nb4**
[9...h6 10.h4 Nb4 11.Be3 Qd8 12.Bb1 Ne7 13.a3 Nbc6 14.b4 g6 15.Nb5 Nc8 16.Bc5 a6 17.Nbd4 N6e7 18.Ne2 b6 19.Bd4 Nf5 20.Bxf5 gxf5 21.Nf4 Be7 22.Nxd5 Bc6 23.Nf6+ Kf8 24.Rc1 1-0 Garbusov (2410)-Escher,F (2484) Sautron op qual 19th 2019 (9)]
[9...Bb4 10.a3 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Nge7 12.h4 h6 13.h5 Qc7 14.Rb1 Na5 15.Nd4 Nf5 16.Nxf5 exf5 17.Qf3 Be6 18.Bxf5 Bxf5 19.Qxf5 Qd7 20.e6 fxe6 21.Rxe6+ Kd8 22.Bf4 Nc4 23.Rd1 1-0 Pellicoro,N (1845)-Thode,G (1871) SUI-ch (Women) 122nd 2023 (5)]
10.Be3 Bc5 11.Bxc5 Qxc5 12.Rc1N -0.52/19
[12.Bf1= 0.01/20]
[12.Bb1 Ne7 13.a3 Nbc6 14.Qd2 #16 Theory 4C: 5... Qb6-Advance French 5...Qb6]
12...Nxd3!∓ 13.Qxd3 Nf3-d4 is the strong threat. **13...Qb6 14.Ne2 Ne7 15.Ng3** -1.14/20
[15.Qa3∓ -0.39/20]
15...0-0∓ 16.Qd2 Rac8 17.h4 Rxc1 18.Rxc1 Rc8 19.Re1 -1.87/20
[19.Rxc8+∓ -0.80/18 Nxc8 *(19...Bxc8 20.h5∓)* 20.Nh5]
19...Rc4-+ 20.b3 Rg4 21.Kh2 Nc6 22.h5 -2.13/21
[22.Rc1 -1.62/18 keeps fighting.]
22...Nd4 23.h6 -3.07/20
[⌓23.Ng1 -2.00/20 Rh4+ 24.Nh3]
23...Nxf3+



Remove Defender **24.gxf3 Rh4+ 25.Kg2 Rxh6**
[Weaker is 25...gxh6 26.Rh1 Qb4 27.Qxb4 Rxb4 28.Rxh6∓]
26.Qg5 Rg6 27.Qe7 Bc6 28.Rh1 h6 29.Qd6? -5.86/18
[29.Rh4 -3.22/18]
29...Qd4 Black is clearly winning. **30.Re1 Qf4** Strongly threatening ... Rg6xg3+! **31.Re3**

(Diagram)



Rxg3+! Deflection. Weighted Error Value: White=0.78/Black=0.07 (flawless)
0-1

24 **C02**
□ **BrittaBagels** **2891**
■ **grispeck** **2673**
Blitz 29.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

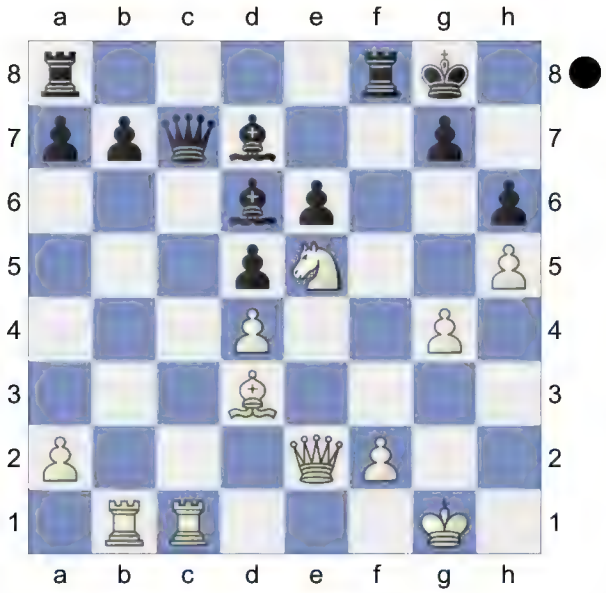
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.Nbd2** The position is equal. **9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Ng6 11.Nb3**
[11.h4 Bc5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 Bb6 14.Qe2 Na5 15.h5 Ne7 16.h6 gxh6 17.Bxh6 Nc4 18.Bf4 Ng6 19.Bg3 h5 20.Bxc4 Qxc4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Bh2 h3 23.g3 Qg4 24.Qd3 Nf4 25.Qd1 Rc8 0-1 Thake,C (1846)-Merriman,J (2215) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early blitz 2025 (7)]
11...Qc7
[11...Be7 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Qe2 0-0 14.Nbd4 a6 15.g3 Nxd4 16.cxd4 Bb5 17.Bxb5 axb5 18.Rxb5 Ra4 19.Be3 Rfa8 20.Reb1 Rxa2 21.Rxb7 Qxb7 22.Qxa2 Qc8 23.Qb3 h6 24.Kg2 Bf8 25.Bd2 Ne7 26.Bb4 Blomqvist,E (2535)-Iskusnyh,S (2473) chess.com (Int.-blitz) 150/(91) 2021]
12.Nbd4N -0.91/21
[12.Qe2= 0.11/22 keeps the balance. Be7 *(12...f6 13.Bxg6+ hxg6 14.Qd3 0-0-0 15.Bf4 g5 16.Bg3 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 fxe5 18.Bxe5 Bd6 19.Qg3 Bxe5 20.Rxe5 Rh4 21.Nd4 Rdh8 22.h3 g4 23.Nxe6 Qb6 24.Nf4 Qb2 25.Rae1 gxh3 26.Nxd5 Rc4 27.R5e2* 1-0 Payne,M (2104)-Dong,B (2361) Cambridge op 2023 (5)*)* 13.Nbd4 a6 14.Rb1 Na5 15.g3 Nc4 16.h4 Nf8 17.Bf4 h6 18.Nf5 Rg8 19.Bxc4 dxc4 20.Nd6+ Bxd6 21.exd6 Qc8 22.Ne5 b5 23.Qh5 g6 24.Qxh6 f6 25.Ng4 Qd8 26.Re3 Bc6 27.Rbe1 1-0 Paichadze,L (2515)-Ikramul,H (2117) Indore op 1st 2023 (1) Bd5 28.Rd1 Bc6 29.d7+ Kf7 30.Bg5 1-0 Posizione (2515)-Hansen, E (2117) Soviet Union 1950 (1)]
12...Bc5 0.12/20
[12...Ngxe5 13.Nb5 Qa5 14.Bf4∓]
[12...Ncxe5∓ -0.91/21 13.Nb5 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 Qb6]
13.Qe2= White has compensation. **13...0-0 14.h4** Black should prevent h4-h5. **14...h6 15.h5 Nge7 16.g4** -0.46/18
[16.Bf4= 0.05/20]
16...Nxd4 0.92/20
[16...f6∓ -0.46/18 keeps the upper hand. 17.exf6 Rxf6]
17.cxd4± Bb4 18.Rd1 Threatens to win with Ra1-b1. **18...f6 19.Rb1** 0.11/25
[19.exf6± 0.48/21 Rxf6 20.g5 hxg5 21.Bxg5]
19...Nc6= 20.Bf4

[20.exf6 feels hotter. Rxf6 21.g5 hxg5 22.Bxg5 Raf8 23.Bxf6 Rxf6 24.Ng5]

20...fxe5 21.Bxe5 Nxe5

[21...Bd6 simplifies 22.Rxb7 Nxe5 23.Rxc7 Nxf3+ 24.Qxf3 Rxf3 25.Rxd7 Bb4]

22.Nxe5 Bd6 23.Rdc1↑



Deflection. White has the initiative.

23...Qd8

[Wrong is 23...Bc6? 24.Nxc6 bxc6 25.Qxe6+ Qf7 *(25...Kh8? 26.Qg6+-)* 26.Bf5 *(26.Qxd6? Qxf2+ 27.Kh1 Qf3+ 28.Kh2 Qxd3-+)* 26...Qxe6 27.Bxe6+ Kh8 28.Rxc6+-]

24.Rxb7 Bxe5? 2.06/20

[24...Qg5= 0.01/24 and Black is okay. 25.Rc3 Be8]

25.Qxe5+- Rc8? 4.90/24 Loses the game.

[25...Qh4± 1.29/20 is tougher. 26.Qg3 *(26.Rxd7 Qxf2+ 27.Kh1 Qf3+ 28.Kh2 Qf2+ 29.Kh1 Qf3+ 30.Kh2 Qf2+ 31.Kh1=)* 26...Qxg3+ 27.fxg3 Rfc8 28.Rxc8+ Bxc8]

26.Rxc8 White is clearly winning.

26...Qxc8 27.Rxa7 Qc1+ 28.Kg2 Qd2 29.Qe2

[Stronger than 29.Rxd7 Qxf2+ 30.Kh1 Qh4+ 31.Qh2 Qxg4=]

29...Qxe2 30.Bxe2 Endgame. KRB-KRB **30...Rd8 31.Kg3 Kf7 32.Bb5 Ke7 33.Rxd7+ Rxd7 34.Bxd7 Kxd7 35.Kf4 Kc6 36.Ke5 Kd7 37.a4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.56

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25 **C02**

□ **Laezee** **2881**

■ **FrenchKingD0M** **2837**

Blitz 09.06.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.h5 h6 11.a3 a6 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nxb4!** Discovered Attack **14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Be3**

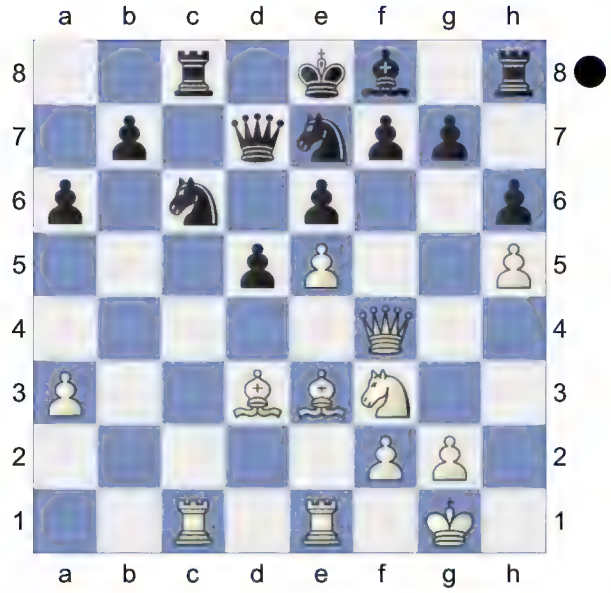
[16.Rb1 Qc7 17.Bd2 Qd7 18.Nh4 Nxe5 19.Qb3 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Rc4 21.g3 Nc6 22.Nf5 Re4 23.f3 Ne5 24.Qb3 Rxe1+ 25.Rxe1 Nc4 26.Bc3 f6 27.Bd4 Kf7 28.Nh4 e5 29.Ng6 Rg8 30.Bf2 Bd6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Galchenko,M (2438) Titled Tue 22nd Aug Early blitz 2023 (11)]

16...Qc7N

[16...Qa5 17.Qg4 Qc7 18.Qg3 Nf5 19.Bxf5 exf5 20.Rad1 Rd8 21.Nd4 Nxd4 22.Bxd4 Rg8 23.Rc1 Qb8 24.Bb6 Rc8 25.e6 Bd6 26.Rxc8+ Qxc8 27.exf7+ Kxf7 28.Qxd6 Re8 29.Qg6+ Kf8 30.Bc5+ Qxc5 31.Rxe8# 1-0 Dubreuil,J (2104)-Santos Flores,A (2230) Titled

Tuesday intern op 21st Jan Late blitz 2025 (3)]

17.Rac1 Qd7 ...Nc6xe5! would now be deadly. **18.Qf4**



d4 0.46/8 **19.Bd2** -0.12/17

[19.Nxd4 Nd5 20.Qg3 Nxe3 21.Nxc6 Qxd3∓ *(21...Rxc6 22.Rxc6 Qxc6 23.Rxe3=)*]

[19.Bxd4± 0.46/8 Nxd4 20.Nxd4]

19...Nd5= 20.Qg3 Bxa3 21.Qxg7 -0.94/17

[21.Rxc6= -0.12/17 bxc6 *(21...Rxc6 22.Qxg7 Rf8 23.Ra1=)* 22.Qxg7 *(22.Nxd4? Ne7-+)*]

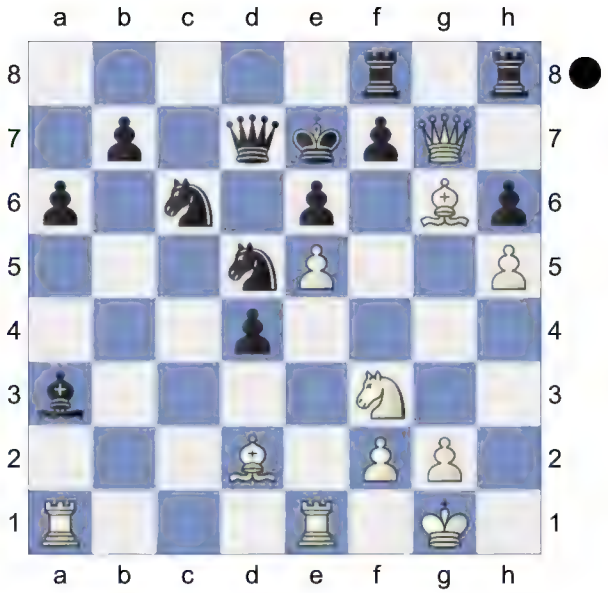
21...Ke7!∓ 22.Bg6 Rcf8 0.72/4

[22...Bxc1∓ -0.67/13 keeps the upper hand. 23.Bxc1 Rcf8 *(23...Rcg8 24.Qxf7+ Kd8 25.Kh1∓)*]

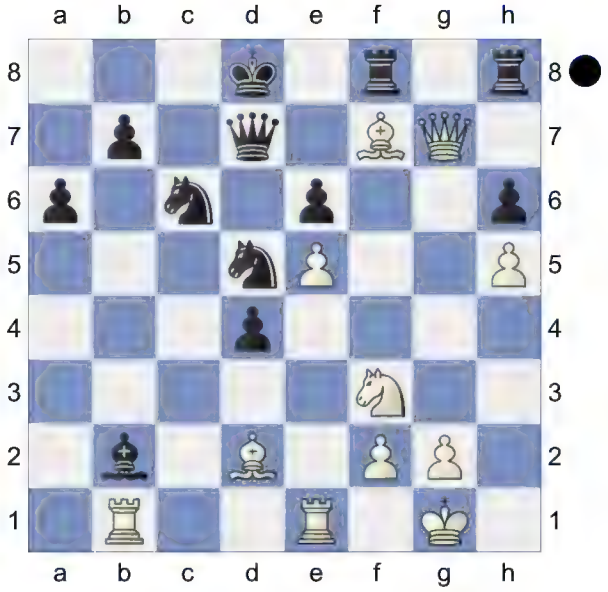
23.Ra1? -0.84/11

[23.Rxc6!± 0.72/4 and life is bright. Threatens to win with Rc6-d6! bxc6 24.Bxf7 *(24.Nxd4 Rhg8∓; 24.Bxh6 Kd8∓)*]

(Diagram)



23...Bb2! 24.Bxf7 -3.41/4 **Kd8-+ 25.Rab1**



Bc3

[25...Qxf7 26.Qxf7 Rxf7 27.Rxb2=]

26.Bxh6 Black must now prevent Nf3-g5! **26...Qxf7**

[26...Rxf7? 27.Qxh8+ Kc7 28.Re4+-]

27.Ng5 Qxg7

[27...Qxh5 28.Nxe6+ Ke8 29.Rxb7= *(29.Qxf8+ Rxf8 30.Ng7+ Kf7=)*]

28.Bxg7 Bxe1

[28...Rxh5 29.Nxe6+ Ke8 30.Bxf8 *(30.Nxf8? Bxe1 31.Rxe1 Kf7-+)* 30...Bxe1 *(30...Rxe5 31.Rxe5 Nxe5 32.Rxb7+-)* 31.Rxe1-+]

29.Bxf8 Bxf2+

[Worse is 29...Nxe5 30.Rxe1 Nd3 31.Nxe6+ Kd7 32.Nc5+ Nxc5 33.Bxc5 Rxh5 34.Bxd4=]

[Don't take 29...Rxh5 30.Nxe6+ Kd7 31.Nxd4 Nxd4 *(31...Rxe5? 32.Rxb7+ Nc7 33.Nf3-+)* 32.Rxe1]

30.Kh2 -7.86/18

[⌓30.Kxf2 -4.32/16 Rxf8+ 31.Kg1]

30...Rxh5+ 31.Nh3 b5 32.g4 Rxe5 33.Nxf2 Re2 34.Kg3 e5 35.g5 Ke8 36.Bc5 Kf7 37.Rh1 Kg6

[37...Re3+? 38.Kg4-+]

38.Rh6+ Kxg5 39.Rxc6 Re3+ 40.Kh2 Re2 41.Kg3 Re3+ 42.Kh2 Nf4? -0.09/9

[42...Kf4-+ -3.36/20 Strongly threatening ...Kf4-f3. 43.Kg2 Rb3 44.Rxa6 Ne3+ 45.Kg1 Rb1+ 46.Kh2 Kf3 47.Rf6+ Ke2]

43.Be7+= Kh5 44.Bf8 -1.33/9

[44.Bf6= -0.09/19]

44...Ng6 -0.22/20

[44...Rf3]

45.Bg7 d3 -0.08/20

[45...a5∓ -0.44/20 46.Rc5 a4 47.Rxb5 Re2]

46.Nh3? -4.65/19

[46.Rd6= -0.08/20]

46...d2-+ 47.Rd6 Re2+ -0.25/17

48.Kg3= Re3+ 49.Kh2 e4? -0.07/18

[Black should try 49...Nh4-+ -4.23/21 50.Ng1 Nf5 51.Rxd2 Nxg7]

50.Nf4+ -9.41/23 **Nxf4-+ 51.Rh6+ Kg4** Black mates. **52.Rf6 Re2+ 53.Kg1 d1Q#** Weighted Error Value: White=0.66/Black=0.57

0-1

26 **C02**

□ **Gromis12** **2881**

■ **ZhohoFF** **2580**

Blitz 14.10.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6 9.c4** White has an edge.

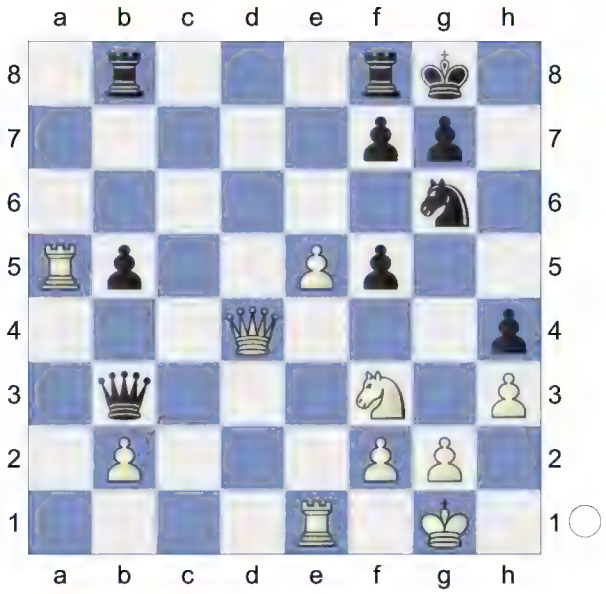
[9.h3 Be7 *(9...Rc8 10.a3 a6 11.b4 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nxb4 13.Na4 Bxa4 14.Qxa4+ Qc6 15.axb4 Qxa4 16.Rxa4 Be7 17.b5 0-0 18.bxa6 bxa6 19.Rxa6 Bb4 20.Rd1 Rfd8 21.Nd4 Bc3 22.Nc6 Re8 23.Bxh6 gxh6 24.Bb1* 1-0 Bodnaruk,A (2334)-Nakhbayeva,G (2326) Titled Tuesday intern op 28th Jan Early blitz 2025 (1) *)* 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Nf5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 h6 14.Bf4 Qd8 15.g4 Nh4 16.Nxh4 Bxh4 17.Nc5 0-0 18.Nxb7 Qc7 19.Nd6 Rab8 20.g5 Rxb1 21.Bxb1 g6 22.gxh6 Kh8 23.Qg4 Be7 1-0 Mercado Florez,D (2654)-Chaudagne,C (2672) 1992 (7.1)]

9...dxc4 10.Bxc4 Bb4N

[10...Nf5 11.a3 a5 12.Bd3 Be7 13.Bf4 a4 14.Nbd2 Na5 15.Qe2 Rc8 16.Ne4 Nb3 17.Rad1 Nc5 18.Nxc5 Bxc5 19.Ng5 h6 20.Ne4 Be7 21.Rc1 0-0 22.g4 Nh4 23.g5 Ng6 24.gxh6 Nxf4 25.Qg4 0-1 Newrkla,K (2261)-Sosa Suarez,C (1956) La Palma Island op 2023 (2) Ng6 26.Nf6+ Bxf6 27.exf6 Rxc1 28.Rxc1 e5 29.Qxd7 Qxf6 30.Rc8 Qg5+ 31.Kf1 gxh6 32.Bxg6 Qxg6 33.Qxb7 Rxc8 34.Qxc8+ Kg7 35.Qc5 Qe4 36.Qc4 Qf3 37.Qb5 Qf5 38.Qxa4 Qd3+ 39.Kg2 e4

40.Qd7 0-1 Lundquist,A (2261)-Van der Muysenberg,F (1956) Cappelle op 06th 1990 (2)]
[10...Be7 11.Bxh6 gxh6 12.Nbd2 23) French Defense: The 'Hect-French Hector Mbg Mainline]
11.Nbd2 White has compensation.
11...Nf5 12.Bd3 h5 0.99/19
[12...Nce7± 0.35/19]
13.Nc4 Qd8 14.Bd2 0.64/19
[14.Bg5± 1.02/19 Qc7 15.Re4]
14...Bxd2± 15.Qxd2 Strongly threatening Bd3xf5. **15...0-0 16.a3** 0.08/21
[Better is 16.Bxf5± 0.69/20 exf5 17.Nxd4]
16...Rc8 1.09/18
[16...b5= 0.08/21 17.Nd6 Nxd6 18.exd6 a6]

17.Qf4 -0.24/23 White has more active pieces.
[17.Bxf5!± 1.09/18 Bf5-e4 is the strong threat. exf5 18.Nd6 *(18.Nxd4 Rc7±)*]
17...b5 0.38/25
[17...Nce7!= -0.24/23]
18.Ncd2 -0.10/19
[18.Nd6± 0.38/25 Nxd6 19.exd6]
18...Nce7!= 19.Ne4
[19.Nxd4 Ng6 20.Qe4 Nxd4 21.Qxd4 Bc6∓]
19...Ng6 20.Qd2 Bc6 21.Neg5
[21.g3 with more complications. h4 22.Neg5 a6 23.Rad1]
21...Bxf3 22.Nxf3 a6 23.a4 h4 0.46/22
[Black should play 23...Ngh4= -0.07/19]
24.axb5 axb5 25.h3! Qd5 26.Ra5 Rb8 27.Bxf5 0.15/18
[27.Be4± 0.85/19 Qd8 28.Bxf5 exf5 29.e6 *(29.Nxd4 Re8∓)*]
27...exf5 28.Qxd4 Qb3 1.97/19
[28...Qxd4= 0.18/18 and Black stays safe. 29.Nxd4 Rfe8]



29.e6!+- aiming for Ra5-a7.
[29.Nxh4? perishes. Rfd8 30.Qc3 Qxc3 31.bxc3 Nxh4-+]
29...fxe6? 4.26/19
[29...Rbd8 1.72/19 30.Qb6 fxe6]
30.Ra7!
[30.Nxh4? loses. Rfd8 31.Qc3 Qxc3 32.bxc3 Nxh4-+]
30...e5 31.Nxe5 1.57/21
[31.Rxe5+- 3.74/21 and White stays

clearly on top. Intending Ra7xg7+! and mate. Rf6 *(31...Nxe5? 32.Qxe5 Rf6 33.Qxb8++-)* 32.Rc5]

31...Nxe5? 8.24/21

[31...Rbd8± 1.57/21 32.Rd7 Rxd7 33.Nxd7 Rf7 34.Re8+ Kh7]

32.Qxe5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.41

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27 **C02**

□ **EvilGenius94** **2881**

■ **lagartodeleyende** **2627**

Blitz 03.07.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 a6**

[8...Nge7 9.h4 a6 10.h5 g6 11.Nbd2 gxh5 12.Nb3 dxc3 13.bxc3 Ng6 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Nbd4 Bg7 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Ba3 Bf8 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 19.Qd2 h6 20.Nd4 Ke7 21.f4 Rag8 22.Qf2 Kd7 23.Rb2 1-0 Ganguly,S (2646)-Cheng,B (2476) Wch Rapid Almaty 2022 (9)]

9.a3N -0.17/21

[⌓9.Nbd2 0.25/19 dxc3 10.bxc3 Bc5 11.Re2 *(11.Qe2 Na5 12.c4 dxc4 13.Bxc4 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Qc7 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qxd6 17.Qe3 #24 Theory 4C: 5... Qb6-Advance French 5...Qb6)* 11...Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 Nxb3 14.axb3 Bc6 15.Ra2 Rc8 16.Qe2 Nh6 17.h3 Nf5 18.Bf4 0-0 19.Bh2 Qd7 20.Rd2 Qe7 21.Bf4 h6 22.g4 Nh4 23.Nd4 Bxd4 24.cxd4 0-1 Worch,S (1870)-Shepard,R (2045) olm ENG-BIH 1994 (4)]

[9.h4 dxc3 10.Nxc3 Bc5 11.Qe2 Nd4 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.h5 Ne7 14.Bd2 Nc6 15.Na4 Qa7 16.Bf4 Nb4 17.Nc3 Bxf2+ 18.Kh1 Bxe1 19.Rxe1 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Rc8 21.Qg3 g6 22.Bg5 h6 23.Bf6 Rg8 0-1 Trifonov,D (2163)-Sydykov,B (2221) Titled Tuesday intern op 07th Jan Early blitz 2025 (8)]

9...Nge7 0.21/21

[9...Rc8 -0.17/21 should be considered.]

10.b4 Nf5 11.Bxf5 exf5 12.cxd4 Be6 13.Nc3 h6 14.h4 g6 1.62/22

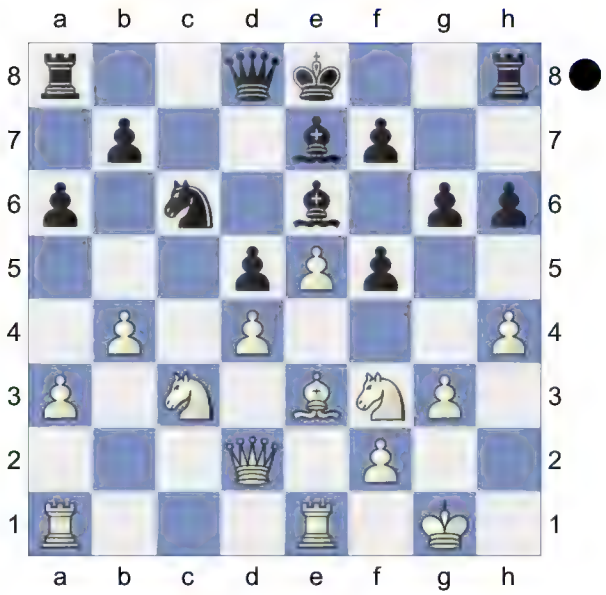
[14...Be7± 0.43/18]

15.Be3+- Be7 16.Qd2 Qd8 1.86/20

[16...g5± 1.25/21 is a better defense.]

17.g3? 0.06/20

[17.Rac1+- 1.86/20]



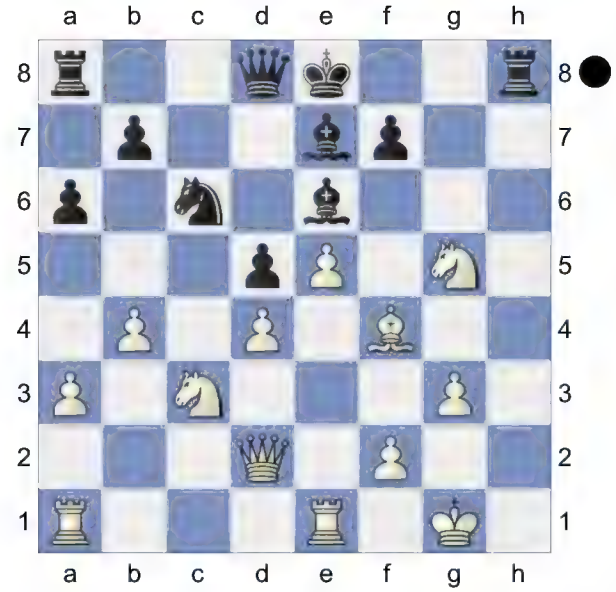
17...g5!= 18.hxg5

[18.Rac1 simplifies Rg8 19.Kh1 Rc8 20.Rg1]

18...hxg5 19.Nxg5 0.50/22

[19.Bxg5= 0.09/22 was preferrable. Bxg5 20.Qxg5 *(20.Nxg5 Nxd4 21.Qxd4 Qxg5±)*]

19...f4± 20.Bxf4

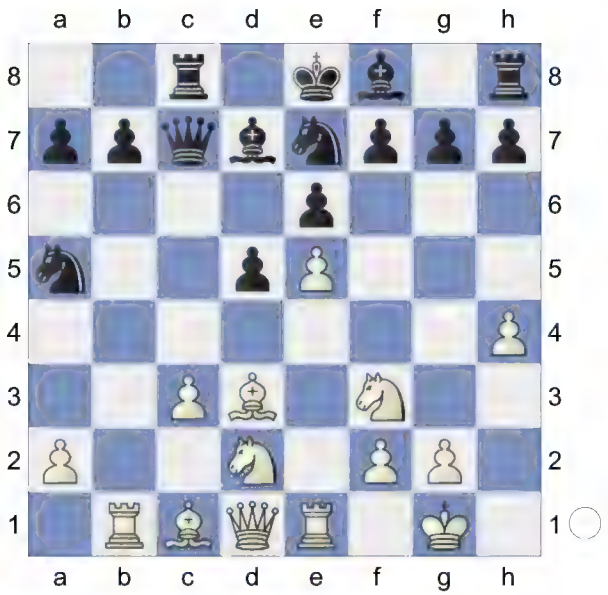


Strongly threatening Ng5xe6. **20...Kd7** 3.16/21 Black is now going downhill.
[20...Bxg5!= 0.00/19 and Black has nothing to worry. 21.Bxg5 Nxd4 22.Qxd4 *(22.Bxd8 Nf3+ 23.Kf1 Nxd2+ 24.Ke2 d4=)* 22...Qxg5]
21.Nxe6+- fxe6 22.Kg2 Qg8 23.Rh1 Black must now prevent Rh1xh8.
23...Rxh1 3.51/19
[23...Qg6 2.37/18 was called for. 24.Ne2 Rae8]
24.Rxh1
[Weaker is 24.Kxh1 Qh7+ 25.Kg2 Rh8±]
24...Rf8 25.Ne2 Qg6 26.f3 Rc8 27.g4 Na7 28.Rc1 Rxc1 29.Nxc1
[Don't take 29.Qxc1?! Nb5 30.a4 Nc7+-]
29...Nc8 3.74/20
[⌓29...Qb1 2.54/21 30.Nd3 b6]
30.Qd3 Qf7 31.Ne2 Nb6 32.Bg3 Nc4 33.f4 b5? 5.20/19
[33...Qg8 3.13/24 34.g5 Nb2]
34.f5 Kc6 35.f6 Bf8 36.g5 Qh5 37.g6 Bh6 38.g7 Ne3+? 6.06/32
[38...Qg4 3.45/21 39.Ng1 *(39.Qf3 Ne3+ 40.Kf2 Nd1+ 41.Kg2 Ne3+ 42.Kf2 Nd1+ 43.Kg2 Ne3+=)* 39...Ne3+ 40.Kf2 Kb6]
39.Kf2 White is clearly winning.
39...Ng4+ 40.Kg1 Be3+ 41.Kg2
Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/ Black=0.66
1-0

28 **C02**
□ **Eyesless18** **2875**
■ **Erebuni91** **2739**
Blitz 31.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

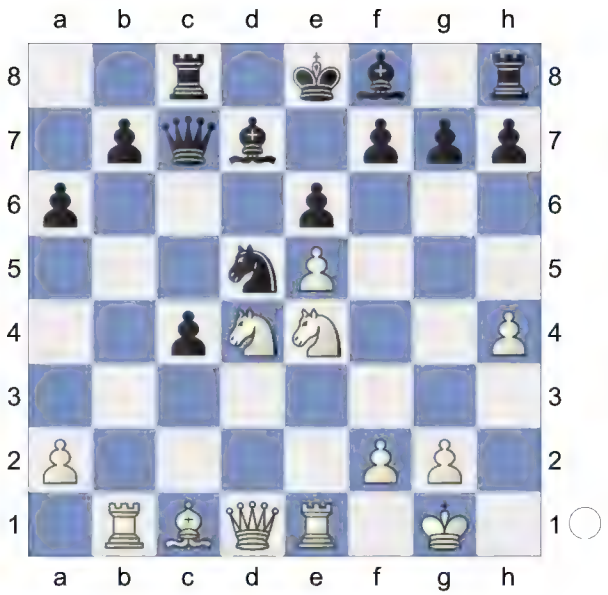
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.Nbd2** The position is equal. **9...Nge7 10.h4 dxc3**
[10...a6 11.Nb3 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Be3 Qc7 14.Nc5 Nf5 15.Bxf5 Bxc5 16.Bc2 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Nc4 18.Re2 Na3 19.Re3 Nc4 20.Re2 Na3 21.Re3 Nc4 ½-½ Fizer,M (2155)-Taborsky,R (2069) Prague op 23rd 2025 (6)]
11.bxc3 Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7

(Diagram)

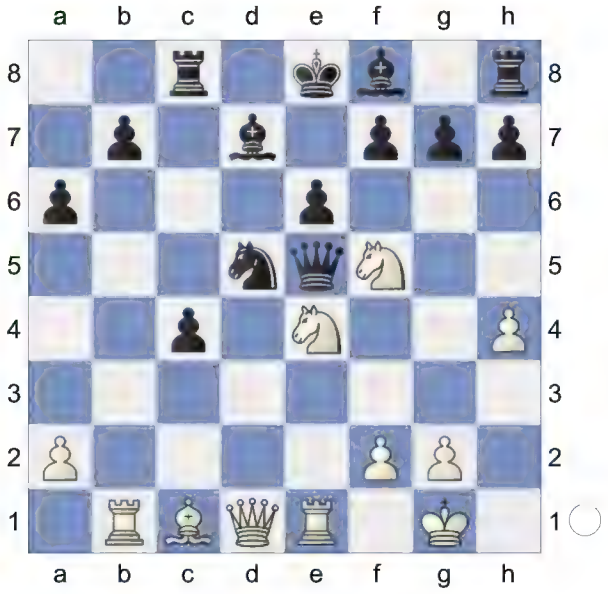


13.c4N -0.98/20
[13.Ba3 Qxc3 14.Nb3 Nxb3 15.Rxb3 Qa5 16.Qb1 #13 Theory 4C: 5... Qb6-Advance French 5...Qb6]
[13.Nb3 Nec6 14.Nbd4 Nxd4 15.cxd4 Be7 16.Bg5 Ba3 17.h5 h6 18.Bf4 a6 19.Kh2 b5 20.Nh4 Qc3 21.Bf1 Qc2 22.Qg4 Kf8 23.Qf3 Rc3 24.Be3 Ke8 25.Qg4 Rg8 26.Be2 Nc4 27.Bxh6 Qe4 1-0 Jones,G (2670)-Erigaisi,A (2559) Titled Tuesday 20th Oct blitz 2020 (9) 28.Qxe4 dxe4 29.Bg5 Bc6 30.Rb3 Rxb3 31.axb3 Na5 32.Bd1 Bd5 33.Bc2 Bb4 34.Re2 Nxb3 35.Bxb3 Bxb3 36.Rb2 Bc3 37.Rxb3 Bxd4 38.Bf4 Bxf2 39.g3 f6 40.Kg2 Bd4 41.Ng6 Kf7 42.exf6 gxf6 1-0 Luehrig, W (2670)-5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Be2 cd4 (2559) Amber-rapid 10th 2001 (9)]
13...Nxc4∓ 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.Ne4 Nd5 16.Nd4 a6? 0.52/25
[16...Qxe5 17.Nf3 Qc7 18.Qxd5+-]
[16...c3!∓ -1.11/23 17.Qd3 c2 *(17...Qxe5 18.Nf3±)*]

(Diagram)



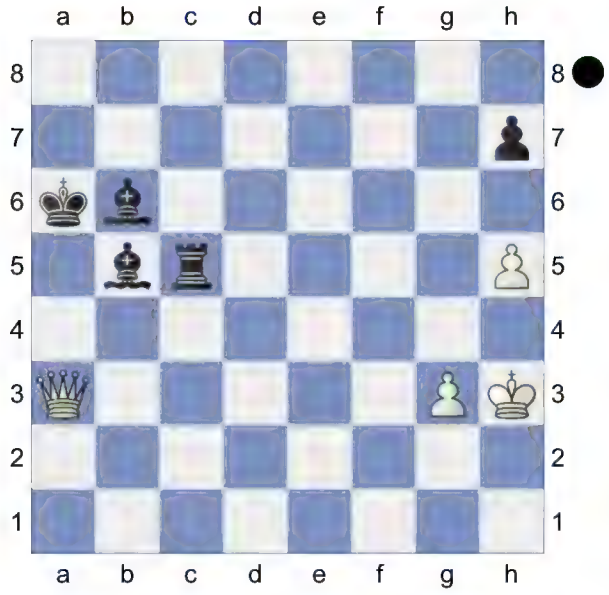
17.Nf5 0.11/19 **Qxe5?** 2.58/25
[17...exf5? 18.Nd6+ *(18.Qxd5? fxe4 19.Rxb7 Qc6-+)* 18...Bxd6 19.exd6+ Be6 20.dxc7+-]
[17...Bc6!= 0.11/19 and Black is okay. 18.Nfd6+ Bxd6 19.Nxd6+ Kf8]



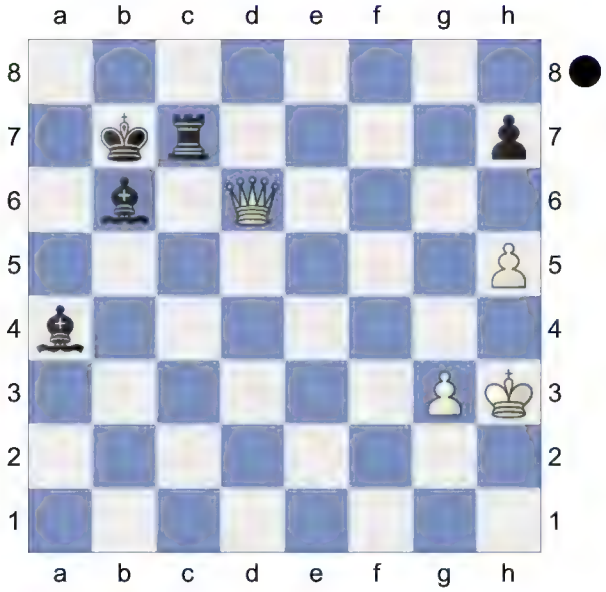
18.Ned6+!+- Discovered Attack
18...Bxd6 19.Rxe5 Bxe5 20.Rxb7 Bc6 21.Ra7? -0.46/25
[21.Qe2+- 2.11/19 Bc7 22.Nxg7+ Kd7 23.Ra7 *(23.Rxc7+ Rxc7 24.Qe5 Rg8∓)*]

21...exf5 0.33/23
[21...0-0∓ -0.46/25 22.Qe2 Bf6]
22.Ba3? -2.95/22
[22.Qe1± 0.33/23 stays ahead. 0-0 *(22...f6 23.f4±* Pin *)* 23.Qxe5]
22...c3 -1.51/21
[22...Bc7-+ -2.95/22 23.Qb1 *(23.Rxa6? Kd7-+)* 23...Kd8 24.Rxa6 Bd7 *(24...Rb8? 25.Qd1-+)*]
23.Qe2 f6 White must now prevent ... Ke8-d8. **24.f4?** -4.88/27
[24.g3 -1.68/20 was the crucial defense. Rb8 *(24...Rc7 25.Rxc7 Nxc7 26.f4=* Pin *)* 25.Qd1]
24...Nxf4-+ 25.Re7+ Kd8 26.Qxa6 c2? -0.56/21
[26...Nxg2 27.Qd3+ *(27.Rxg7 Bd4+ 28.Kh2 Rc7=; 27.Rxg7 Bd4+ 28.Kh2 Rc7=)*]
[26...Bxg2? 27.Rxe5 Rc7 *(27...Nh3+ 28.Kxg2 Nf4+ 29.Kf3)* 28.Qd6+ *(28.Rxf5 Bb7+-)* 28...Kc8 29.Rc5 *(29.Rxf5 Rd8+-)* 29...Rxc5 30.Qxc5+ Kb7 31.Qb4+ *(31.Qxc3? Ne2+ 32.Kxg2 Nxc3-+)* 31...Ka6 32.Qxf4+-]
[26...Rc7-+ -5.00/21 27.Rf7 Re8 *(27...Rxf7? 28.Qxc6 Ra7 29.Qc5-+)*]
27.Rxg7? -4.85/23
[Only move: 27.Qb6+∓ -0.56/21 Bc7 28.Rxc7 *(28.Qxc6? c1Q+* Deflection *29.Bxc1 Kxe7-+)* 28...c1R+ Decoy *(28...Rxc7 29.Qb8+ Kd7 30.Qxh8∓)* 29.Bxc1 Ne2+ *(29...Rxc7? 30.Bxf4* Pin *Ke8 31.Qxc7+-)* 30.Kf2 Rxc7 *(30...Nxc1 31.Rxg7+ Ke8 32.Qa7 Nd3+ 33.Kg3)* 31.Qb8+ Rc8 32.Qd6+ Bd7 33.Ba3]
27...Re8 28.g3 -9.86/20
[⌓28.Qb6+ -4.54/17 Bc7 29.Qxc6 Nh3+ *(29...Re1+? 30.Kh2-+)* 30.Kf1 Re1+ Decoy, Promotion 31.Kxe1 Ba5+ Discovered Attack 32.Kf1 Rxc6 33.gxh3]
28...Ne2+ 29.Kh2 c1Q
[29...c1B 30.Qb6+ Bc7 31.Rxc7 Rxc7 32.Bd6=]
30.Bxc1 Nxc1 0.00/19
[30...Rc7-+ -2.56/22 31.Qb6 Ree7 *(31...Nxc1 32.Rxc7* Remove Defender *Bxc7 33.Qxc6=)* 32.Rg8+ Kd7]
31.Qa5+? -6.50/21
[31.Qb6+= 0.00/19 Rc7 32.Rxc7 Remove Defender Bxc7 33.Qxc6=]
31...Rc7 32.Qd2+ Kc8 33.Rxc7+ Bxc7 This pair of bishops is nice.
34.Qxc1 Re2+ 35.Kg1 Kb7 36.Qb1+ -6.51/22
[⌓36.Qc4 -4.38/23 Re3 37.Kf2 Rf3+ *(37...Rxg3? 38.Qb4+ Ka7 39.Qe7-+)* 38.Ke1]
36...Bb6+ 37.Kf1 Re4 -2.95/23
[⌓37...Re3 -6.23/24 38.Qb4 f4 *(38...Rxg3? 39.Qe7+ Bc7 40.Qb4+ Ka6 41.a4-+)* 39.gxf4 Bd7]
38.Qb3 Re5 -1.51/21
[38...Re3-+ -3.49/23 and Black stays clearly on top. 39.Qf7+ Bc7 40.Qxh7 Rxg3]
39.a4 -2.97/19
[39.Qf7+∓ -1.51/21 Ka6 40.Qxf6 Bb5+ 41.Kg2 Re2+ 42.Kh3]
39...Re4?? 3.87/18
[39...Bd5-+ -2.97/19 40.Qd3 h5]
40.h5?? -1.77/22
[40.a5+- 3.87/18 was the only winning move. Kc8 41.Qxb6]
40...Bxa4 -0.60/24
[Better is 40...Rxa4-+ -1.77/22 Strongly threatening ...Ra4-d4. 41.Qf7+ Ka6 42.Qxf6 Be4]
41.Qf7+ -1.51/21
[41.Qd5+!∓ -0.60/24 Ka7 42.Qxf5]
41...Ka6!∓ And now ...Ba4-b5+ would win. **42.Qxf6 Bb5+ 43.Kg2 Rc4**

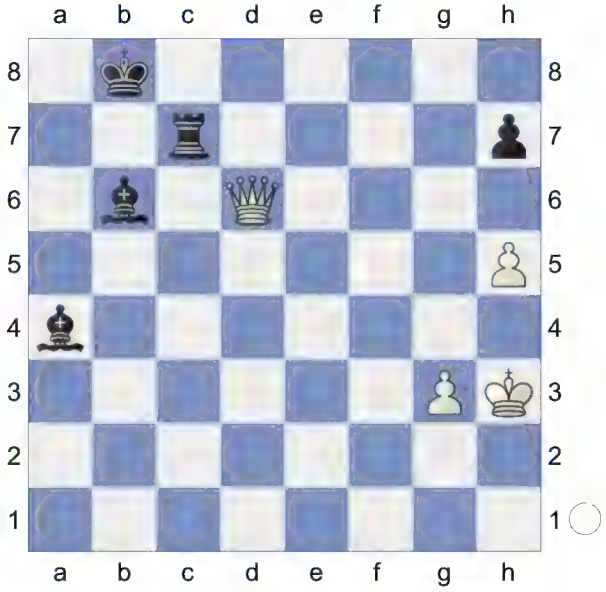
-0.20/20
[43...Bd7∓ -1.36/21 ...Re4-e2+ would now be deadly. 44.Qa1+ Ba5]
44.Kh3? -2.52/21
[44.Qxf5= -0.20/20 and White has nothing to worry. Rc7 45.g4]
44...Rc2? -0.08/16
[44...Rd4!-+ -2.52/21 aiming for ...Bb5-f1+. 45.Kg2 Rd2+ 46.Kh3 Bd7]
45.Qxf5= Rc4 46.Qd3? -8.43/23
[46.Qxh7= 0.15/21 Rd4 47.Qc2 *(47.Qf5? Bd7-+ Pin)*]
46...Rc5? 0.00/24
[Black should play 46...Rh4+!-+ -8.43/23 47.Kxh4 Bxd3]
47.Qa3+



Ba4? 4.59/27
[47...Kb7!= -0.07/23 and Black stays safe. 48.Qf3+ Ka7]
48.Qf3? -0.22/21
[48.Qxa4++- 4.59/27 Ba5 49.Qd1]
48...Rc6 49.Qe3? -8.34/22 **Kb7?** -0.09/25
[Black should try 49...Bxe3-+ -8.34/22 50.g4 Bd1 51.Kh2 Rc2+ *(51...Bxg4* is a self mate. *52.Kg3 Bxh5 53.Kh4 Bf3 54.Kg3 Rf6 55.Kh4 Bf4 56.Kh3 Rh6#)* 52.Kg3 Bg5 *(52...Ka5 53.g5 Bxg5 54.h6 Kb4 55.Kh3 Bf4 56.Kh4 Rh2#)* 53.h6 Kb5 *(53...Bxh6 54.g5 Bxg5 55.Kh3 Bf4 56.Kh4 Rh2#; 53...Rc3+ 54.Kg2 Bxg4 55.Kh2 Rc2+ 56.Kg3 Bh5 57.Kh3 Bf4 58.Kh4 Rh2#)* 54.Kh3 Bf4 55.Kh4 Rh2#]
50.Qd3 Dodges Ba4-d1 **50...Rc7**
51.Qd6



Kb8? 8.29/20



52.Qc6?? -#7/23 **Rc8??** 9.44/20
[52...Bxc6 -#7/23 and life is good for Black. 53.Kg4 Rf7 54.Kh3 Rf2

(54...Bd7+ leads to mate. 55.g4 Bc7 56.Kg2 Bxg4 57.h6 Bc8 58.Kh1 Bh3 59.Kg1 Rf1#) 55.h6 Bc7 56.Kh4 Bd7 57.g4 Bf4 58.Kh5 Rh2#]

53.Qxb6++- White is clearly winning.

53...Ka8 54.Qa6+ Kb8 55.Qb6+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.80/ Black=1.03

1-0

29 **C02**

□ **fireheart92** **2870**

■ **FakeBruceLee** **2841**

Blitz 01.05.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6 9.c4** White has an edge. **9...dxc4 10.Bxc4 Nf5 11.Nbd2** -0.42/22

[11.a3!± 0.34/21]

11...Be7 0.34/21

[11...Rc8∓ -0.42/22]

12.a3 -0.30/22

[12.Bd3!± 0.34/21]

12...a5 0.34/21

[12...Ne3!= -0.30/22 13.fxe3 dxe3]

13.Bd3± White has compensation.

13...0-0 14.Qe2N

[14.Nc4 Qc7 15.Bf4 Qd8 16.h3 a4 17.Rc1 Na5 18.Nxa5 Rxa5 19.Qe2 Bc6 20.Red1 Bxf3 21.Qxf3 Bg5 22.Bxf5 exf5 23.Bxg5 Qxg5 24.Rc4 Rb5 25.Rxa4 Rxb2 26.Raxd4 g6 27.Rd7 Rb5 28.Re1 Re8 1-0 Eljanov,P (2694)-Mohr,G (2419) HUN-ch Rapid 2023 (6)]

14...Rac8 15.Qe4 Na7 16.Qg4 -0.52/22

[16.g4± 0.58/22]

16...Bb5∓ 17.Bxb5 -1.51/22

[17.Bxf5∓ -0.54/20 exf5 18.Qxd4]

17...Nxb5∓ 18.Ne4 Kh8 -0.40/21

[18...d3-+ -1.69/22 aiming for ...Nb5-d4. 19.Be3 Nxe3 20.Rxe3 Rfd8 21.Nf6+ Bxf6 22.exf6 g6]

19.Qh5 g2-g4 would now be deadly.

19...g6? 1.25/19

[19...d3!∓ -0.54/18 stays ahead. 20.Bg5 f6 21.exf6 gxf6]

20.Qh3!± d3 21.Bg5? -0.49/18

[21.g4+- 1.90/19]

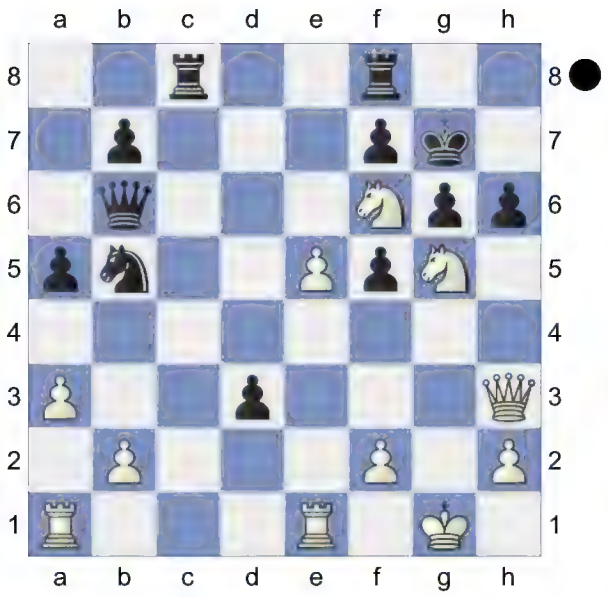
21...Bxg5!∓ Remove Defender **22.Nfxg5 h6↑** Strongly threatening ...Kh8-g7. Black fights for an advantage. **23.g4 Kg7!**

[23...d2? 24.Nxd2 *(24.gxf5 dxe1Q+ 25.Rxe1 h5±)* 24...Nbd4 25.gxf5+-]

24.gxf5 exf5 25.Nf6 -1.32/20

[25.Rad1∓ -0.56/19]

(Diagram)



25...Rc2!∓ Threatens to win with ...Rf8-d8. Some like it hot **26.Re3?** -3.21/19 This costs White the game. **26...Nd4-+** **27.Kh1** -4.74/21
[27.Rd1 -3.38/18 was called for. Qc6 28.Nf3 *(28.Rdxd3 Rc1+)* 28...Ne2+ 29.Kh1]
27...Ne2 And now ...Qb6-c6+ would win.
[27...hxg5 28.Qh7#]
[27...Rxf2 28.Rg1 *(28.Rxd3 Rd8=)* 28...Rh8 *(28...hxg5 29.Qh7#; 28...Qc6+ 29.Nge4±)* 29.Qh4 Rxb2 *(29...hxg5 30.Qxf2 Ne2 31.Rxe2±; 29...Qxb2? 30.Nh5+ Kf8 31.Nh7+ Ke8 32.N5f6+* Discovered Attack *Ke7 33.Ne4+* Discovered Attack (Check) *g5 34.Qxf2+-)* 30.Rxd3 hxg5 31.Qxh8+ Kxh8 32.Rh3+ Kg7 33.Rh7+ Kf8 34.Rh8+ Kg7 35.Rh7+ Kf8 36.Rh8+ Kg7 37.Rg8+ Kh6 38.Rh8+ Kg7=]
28.Rxd3 Nf4 Double Attack
[28...hxg5 29.Qh7#]
29.Qe3 Qc6+
[29...Qxb2 30.Qxf4 hxg5 *(30...Qxa1+ 31.Kg2=)* 31.Qxg5 *(31.Qd4 Qxd4 32.Rxd4 Rxf2=)* 31...Qxa1+ 32.Kg2=]
30.Nf3 Nxd3 31.Nh5+? -6.67/33
[31.Qxd3 -2.63/18 Rxf2 *(31...Rxb2 32.Qe3=)* 32.Nd5]
31...gxh5 Black is clearly winning.
32.Rg1+ Kh7 33.Qxd3 Qe4
[33...Rxb2 34.Qxf5+ Kh8 35.e6 Qxe6 *(35...Rxf2 36.Qf6+ Kh7 37.Qg7#)* 36.Qc5+- *(36.Qxa5? loses. Rc8-+)*]
34.Qxe4 fxe4 35.Nd4 Rxf2 36.e6 fxe6 37.Nxe6 Rg8 38.Re1 e3
Weighted Error Value: White=0.81/ Black=0.40
0-1

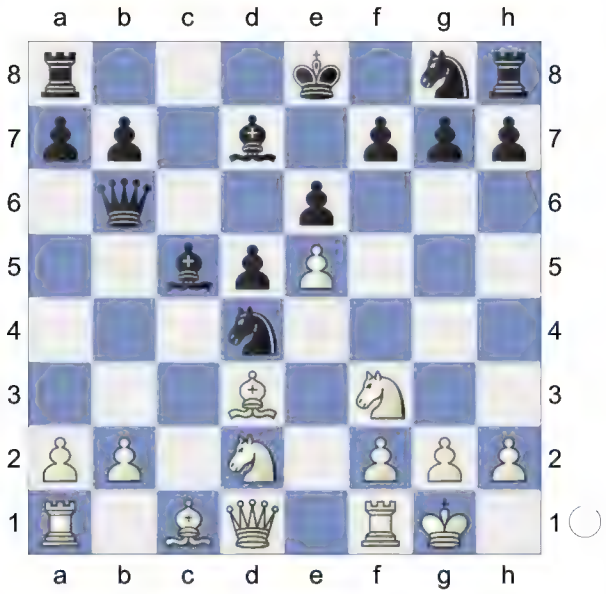
30 **C02**
□ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2863**
■ **Harikrishna,Pentala** **2732**
Saint Louis Blitz 2020 (15.1) 19.09.2020
[John Watson]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7
[7...dxc3 8.Nxc3 is a standard Milner-Barry in which White doesn't have to waste time defending his e5-pawn. The reader is welcome to analyse this, but it's pretty obvious that White has good compensation for the pawn, with the added benefit that in practice, Black can easily get blown away by an early attack. Thus masters have overwhelmingly chosen 7...Bd7 here.]
8.Nbd2!? Well and truly bringing the game into uncharted waters. I see only two games with this move in my database, used by a player in the 1900s and another just above 1000. Hector's move
[8.Re1 is seen in other games this month, as well as in earlier games with this variation.]

8...Rc8!? Arguably a little slow.
[8...dxc3 9.bxc3 Qc7 10.Re1 *(or 10.Qe2)* 10...Nge7 11.Nb3 Ng6 12.Qe2 is unclear, and could be compared with the 8 Re1 lines. The engines give this as about equal. A recent example went Be7 13.Nbd4
A) 13...0-0 14.h4!? *(14.Rb1!?)* 14...Ncxe5!? 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.Qxe5 Qxc3 17.Bxh7+! Kxh7 18.Nxe6 Qxe5 19.Nxf8+ Rxf8 20.Rxe5 Bf6 21.Rh5+ Kg6!? 22.Rxd5 Be6 23.Rg5+ Bxg5 24.Bxg5 b5=;
B) 13...a6 14.Rb1 Rc8?! *(14...Nxd4)* 15.h4! Bxh4? 16.Nxh4 Nxh4 17.Ba3 Nxd4 18.cxd4 Bc6 19.Qg4 Ng6 Schmakel,S (2435)-Escalante Ramirez,B (2456), chess24. com INT 2020, and here 20.Re3! Qd7 21.Rh3! would have been extremely strong.]
[The other obvious move is 8...Nge7 , which might lead to the same position after 9.Nb3 dxc3 10.bxc3 Ng6 11.Qe2 , with Be7 an attempt to get castled quickly.]
9.Nb3 dxc3 10.bxc3 Qc7
[10...Na5 11.Rb1 Nxb3 12.Rxb3 Qc7 13.Ng5! with nice attacking chances.]
11.Re1 Nge7
[11...Na5 12.Nxa5 Qxa5 13.Rb1 b6 14.Bd2 stays a pawn up but White maintains his developmental lead. There might follow Qa4 15.Qe2 Bc5 16.Ng5!? Be7!? 17.Qh5 Nh6 18.Nxe6!? Bxe6 19.Bxh6 Kf8! with unclear complications]
12.h4! Discouraging ...Ng6. An option is
[12.Qe2]
12...Ng6!?
[12...Na5 might be better, intending
A) 13.Nxa5 Qxa5 14.Bd2 *(14.Rb1 b6)* 14...Qa4;
B) 13.Qe2 Nc4!? 14.h5 h6∞]
13.Qe2! Be7 14.h5 Ngxe5?
[14...Nh4 15.Nxh4 Bxh4 16.Qg4! *(16.h6)* 16...Nxe5 17.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 18.Kxf2 Qxe5 19.Bd2 *(19.Ba3!? Rxc3 20.Qb4 Qf6+ 21.Ke2∞)* 19...0-0∞ is dangerous for Black, but apparently playable.]
15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Qxe5 Nxe5 17.Rxe5 Bf6 18.Re3! Rxc3 19.Rb1 Black has three pawns for a piece, but White is better developed and can create immediate threats. **19...d4**
[For example, 19...Rc7 20.h6 g6 21.Rf3 Be5 22.Ba3 b6 23.Re1 f6 24.g4 threatens g5, but g5 25.Rxe5! fxe5 26.Bd6 e4 27.Be5! exf3 28.Bxh8 followed by Bxh7 soon wins.]
20.Rg3 0-0 21.Bb2 Rfc8 Conceding material, but
[21...Rc7 22.Nxd4 e5 23.Nf5+- is just as bad.]
22.Bxc3 dxc3 23.Rd1 From here on out it's a matter of technique. **23...Bc6 24.Bc2 Kf8 25.Re3 b6 26.Nd4 Bd5 27.a4 g6 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Nb5 Rc4 30.Nxa7 Rb4 31.Nb5 Rb2 32.Rc1 Bg5 33.Nxc3 Bxe3 34.fxe3 Bc6 35.Be4 Bd7 36.Bd3 Bc6 37.Rc2 Rb4 38.Bb5 Bxb5 39.axb5 Rc4 40.Kf2 Ke7 41.Ke2 f5 42.Kd3 Rb4 43.Ra2 Kf6 44.Ra6 Rb2 45.Rxb6 Rxg2 46.Nd5+ Ke5 47.Nf4**
1-0

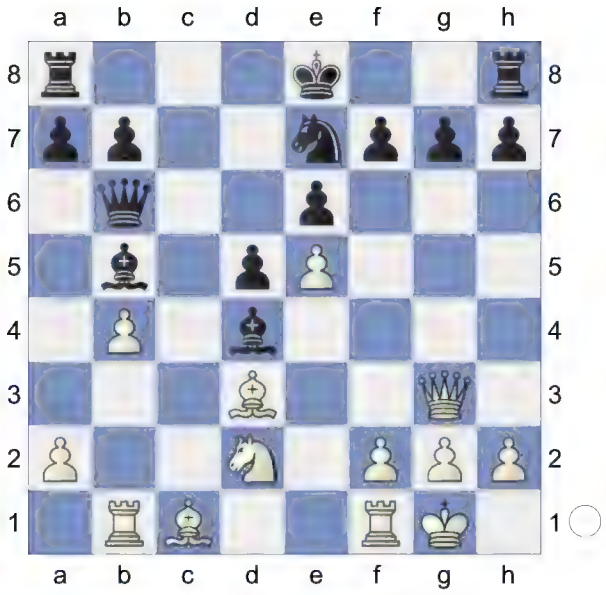
31 **C02**
□ **PatriciaBot** **2858**
■ **ArasanX** **3102**
Rapid 28.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min+5sec C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nbd2 Bc5



10.b4! Nxf3+
[10...Bxb4 11.Rb1 Qc5 12.Nxd4 Qxd4 13.Nf3±]
11.Qxf3 Bd4 Black is slightly better.
[11...Bxb4 12.Qg3 Bf8 13.Rb1±]
12.Qg3! Ne7 0.13/17
[12...Qxb4 13.Rb1 Qf8 14.Rxb7+-]
[12...g6!∓ -0.36/20 should be considered. 13.Rb1 Bb5]
13.Rb1!=
[13.Qxg7 Rg8 14.Qf6 Bxa1∓]
13...Bb5

(Diagram)



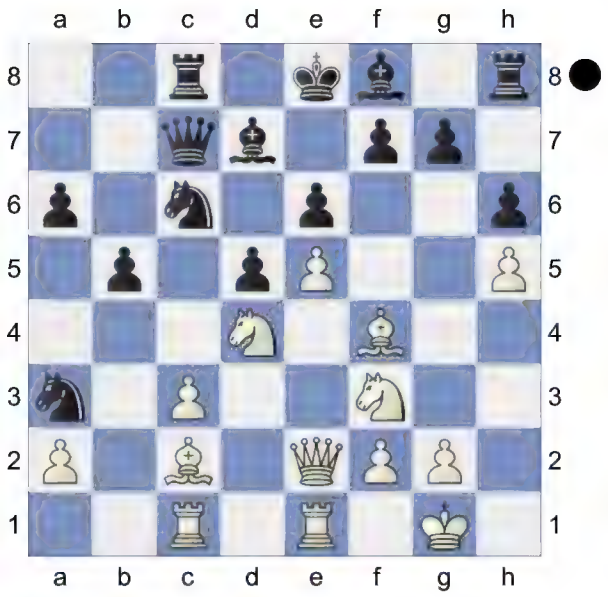
14.Qxg7 Rg8⇄ Black is not keeping still
15.Qxh7 Bxe5 16.Bxb5+! Qxb5 17.g3N -0.47/19
[17.Qh5!= 0.26/17 d4 18.Re1]
[17.Nf3 Rh8 18.Qc2 Bxh2+ 19.Nxh2 Rxh2 20.Kxh2 Qxf1 3. e5 c5-N,N]
17...Rh8∓ 18.Qc2 Qe2 Dodges Nf3
19.Qa4+ b5 20.Qd1 Qxd1 21.Rxd1 f6 22.Nf3 Bc3 23.Bd2 Bxd2 24.Rxd2 e5 25.a4 Kd7 26.h4 Rhb8 27.h5 bxa4 28.Ra2 a5 29.Rxa4 Nc6! 30.b5 Nb4 31.g4 Ke6 32.Re1 -0.70/18
[32.Kh2= -0.26/18]
32...Nd3 -0.30/18
[Black should play 32...Kd6∓ -0.70/18 33.Nh4 Kc5]
33.Rb1!= Nc5 34.Ra3 a4 35.h6 Nb3 36.b6 Kf7 37.h7! Kg7
[37...Rxb6? loses. 38.Rxa4 Rc8 39.Ra7+ *(39.Nd2 Nxd2 40.Ra7+ Kg6+-)* 39...Ke6 40.Kg2+- *(40.Nd2 Rb4+-)*]
38.g5 fxg5 39.Rbxb3 axb3 40.Rxb3 Kxh7∓ Endgame KRR-KRN **41.b7! Ra7 42.Rb5 d4** -0.14/20
[42...Rbxb7∓ -0.64/21 43.Rxd5 Rb4]
43.Rxe5= Rbxb7
[43...d3 feels hotter. 44.Rd5 Rbxb7

45.Rxd3 Ra5]
44.Nxd4 Rb4 45.Nf5 Rg4+ 46.Ng3 Ra2 47.Kg2 Ra3 48.Re7+ Kg6 49.Re6+ Kf7 50.Re5 Raa4 51.Rd5 Kg7 52.Rd7+ Kf6 53.Rd6+ Kf7 54.Rd5 Rac4 55.Rd7+ Ke6 56.Rd2 Ra4 57.f3 Rgb4 58.Ne4 Ra5 59.Kg3 Rb1 60.Rd6+ Kf5 61.Rc6 Strongly threatening Nd6+. **61...Rg1+ 62.Kf2 Raa1 63.Ng3+ Ke5**
[63...Rxg3 simplifies 64.Kxg3 Ra4 65.Rc5+ Kg6]
64.Rg6 Rgb1 65.Rxg5+ Ke6 66.Ne4 Rb8 67.Rg6+ Ke5 White must now prevent ...Rb2+. **68.Rg5+ Kd4 69.Ng3 Rb2+ 70.Ne2+ Kc4 71.Re5 Rh1 72.Kg2 Re1 73.Kf2 Rh1 74.Kg2 Re1 75.Kf2**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless)
75...Rh1 0.01/45
[75...Rexe2+∓ -1.08/61 76.Rxe2 Rxe2+ 77.Kxe2 Kd5]
½-½

32 **C02**
□ **Johanssc** **2856**
■ **TheNeapolitanLegend** **2771**
Blitz 17.01.2022
[Kitty Kat]

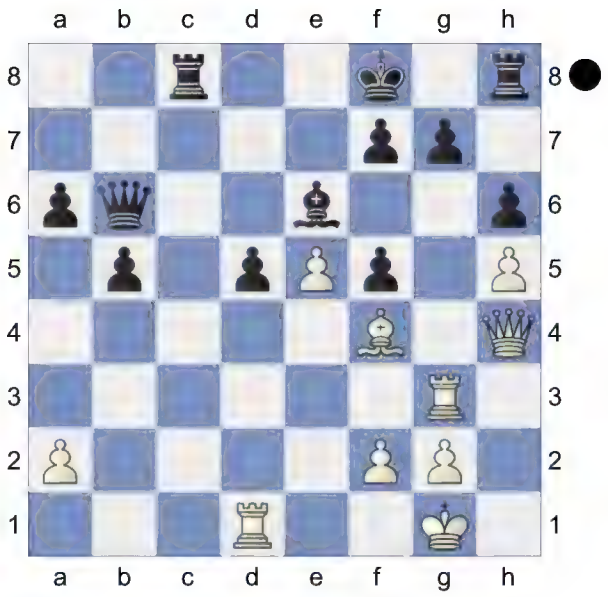
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.h5 h6 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5! 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Qe2**
[14.Ba3!? Qxc3 *(14...Nec6 15.Bxf8 Kxf8 16.Qa4 Ne7 17.Qf4 Qxc3 18.Bg6 Be8 19.Re3 Qc7 20.Nd4 Kg8 21.Bd3 Bd7 22.Rg3 f5 23.Qh4 Nac6 24.Nxe6 Bxe6 25.Qf6 Rh7 26.Qxe6+ Kh8 27.Rc1 Rf8 28.Nf3 Qc8 29.Qxc8* 1-0 Savitha Shri,B (2348)-Priansh,D (2317) Budapest Vezerkepzo GM 10 2024 (1)) 15.Nb3 Nec6 16.Rc1 Qxe1+ 17.Qxe1 Bxa3 18.Rc2 Nxb3 19.axb3 0-0 20.Qe3 Be7 21.Nd4 Nb4 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Bb1 a5 24.Nf3 a4 25.bxa4 Bxa4 26.Kh2 b5 27.Qa7 Bf8 28.Qd7 Ra8 29.Nd4 1-0 Quillan,G (2432)-Polgar,S (2404) Pardubice op-A 2005 (2)]
14...a6 0.57/22
[14...Qxc3= -0.17/20 15.Nb3 Nc4]
15.Nb3N 0.00/23
[15.Ba3± 0.57/22 Nec6 16.Bxf8 Kxf8 17.c4 dxc4 18.Bxc4 Nxc4 19.Nxc4 23) French Defense: The 'Hect-French Hector Mbg Mainline]
15...Nc4 0.36/22
[15...Nxb3= 0.00/23 16.axb3 Qxc3]
16.Nbd4 -0.17/23
[16.Nbd2± 0.36/22]
16...Nc6 0.24/24
[16...b5! -0.17/23 deserves consideration.]
17.Bf4 b5 18.Bc2 -1.49/20
[18.Nxc6= 0.00/19 remains equal. Bxc6 19.Nd4]
18...Na3∓ ...Nc6xd4 is the strong threat.
19.Rbc1 -2.47/20
[19.Rb2∓ -1.51/20]

(Diagram)



19...Nxd4!-+ 20.Nxd4 Bc5? 0.18/23
[20...Qxc3-+ -2.24/21 21.Qd1 Qb4]
21.Qg4= Kf8 22.Bd3 Qb6 23.Rcd1 -0.20/21
[Better is 23.Be3± 0.34/23]
23...Bxd4 1.14/18
[23...Nc4= -0.20/21]
24.cxd4± Nc2 2.64/19 Repels Re1-e3
[24...Nc4± 0.77/18 was called for.]
25.Re2? 0.20/20
[White has to play 25.Bxc2+- 2.64/19 Rxc2 26.Re3]
25...Nxd4=
[25...Qxd4? perishes. 26.Bxc2 *(26.Rxc2 f5+-)* 26...Qa7 27.Bd3+-]
26.Re3 -0.30/18
[26.Rb2 0.14/20 was preferrable. Qb7 27.Bd2]
26...Nf5! 27.Bxf5 -2.03/17
[27.Rh3= -0.24/22 and White is okay.]
27...exf5-+ 28.Qh4 Be6 29.Rg3

(Diagram)



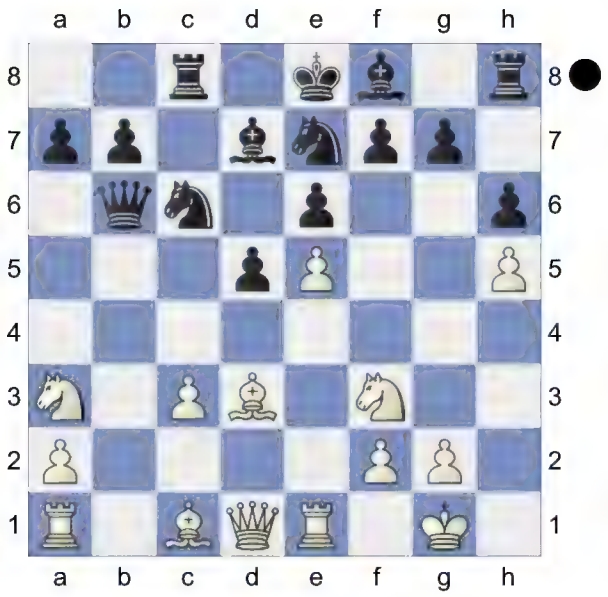
Rc4! 30.Rdd3 -2.54/20
[30.Rc1∓ -1.51/20]
30...Qc7 31.Rdf3 Qe7 32.Qh3 -5.00/20
[32.Qxe7+ -2.05/18 Kxe7 33.Bd2]
32...Kg8 33.Kh2 Kh7 Black is clearly winning. **34.a3 Rhc8 35.Bd2 Rh4** Pin. Weighted Error Value: White=0.62/ Black=0.34
0-1

33	**C02**
□ **RaspFish**	**2853**
■ **mayhem23111**	**2918**
Blitz	02.12.2023

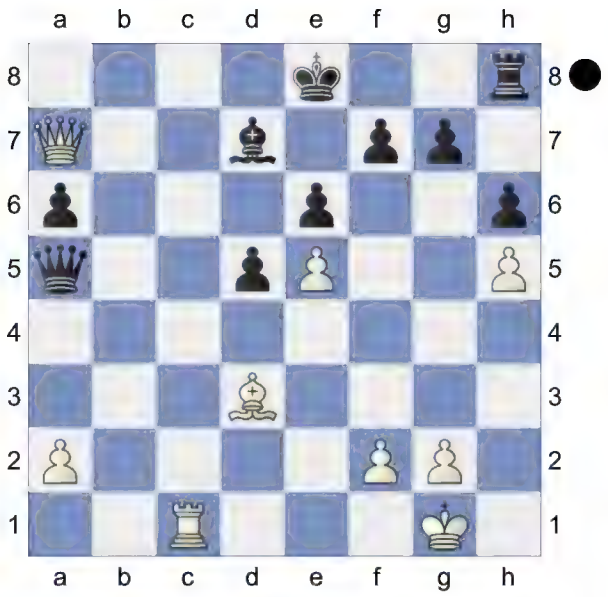
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 Rc8 10.h5 h6** The position is equal. **11.Na3 dxc3 12.bxc3**

(Diagram)



And now Ra1-b1 would win. **12...a6 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Nc2N**
[14.c4 dxc4 *(14...Na5 15.Be3 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 dxc4 17.Bb6 Qb8 18.Be4 Bc6 19.Nd4 Bxe4 20.Rxe4 Nc6 21.Qg4 Nxe5 22.Qg3 Nc6 23.Rxe6+* VI.G) French Defence 5...Qb6-8... Nge7 9.h4 h6 10.h5 Rc8: A*)* 15.Nxc4 Nd5 16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 Qxd6 18.Rxb7 0-0 19.Bb1 Rfd8 20.Qd3 f5 21.Qxa6 Ra8 22.Qe2 Bc8 23.Rb2 VI.G) French Defence 5...Qb6-8... Nge7 9.h4 h6 10.h5 Rc8: A]
14...Na5 15.Qe2 Qxc3 16.Bd2 Qc7 17.Bxa5! Qxa5 18.Rxb7 Nc6 19.Nfd4 Nxd4
[19...Qxa2? loses. 20.Nxe6 *(20.Bxa6 Nxd4 21.Nxd4 Qxe2=)* 20...Bxe6 21.Ra1+-]
[19...Bc5 20.Nb3 Qc3 21.Nxc5 *(21.Bxa6 Rb8=)* 21...Qxc5 22.Qg4± *(22.Bxa6 Na5∓)*]
20.Nxd4 Bc5 21.Nb3 Qd8 22.Nxc5
[22.Bxa6!? 0-0□ 23.Nxc5 Rxc5 24.Qe3=]
22...Rxc5 23.Qe3 Rc7 24.Rxc7 Qxc7 25.Rc1 Qa5 26.Qa7
(Diagram)



a2-a4 is the strong threat. **26...Ke7 27.Bxa6**
[Of course not 27.Qxa6 Qxa6 28.Bxa6 Ra8∓]
27...Rd8 28.Rc7 Ke8 29.Bf1 Qxa7 30.Rxa7= Endgame. KRB-KRB **30...Rb8 31.Bd3** Inhibits Rb8-b1+. **31...Rb4 32.f3 d4 33.Ra8+ Ke7 34.Ra7 Ke8 35.Ra8+ Ke7 36.Ra7 Ke8** An interesting draw.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.00 (flawless)
½-½

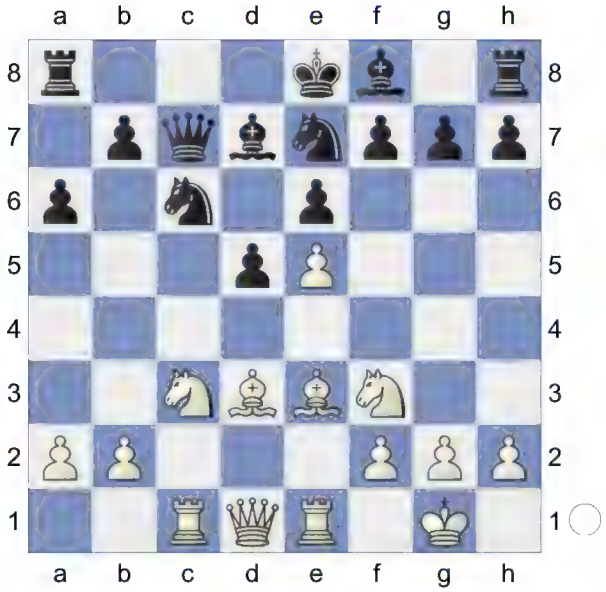
34 **C02**
□ **Johanssc** **2850**
■ **IsolatedMushroom** **2698**
Blitz 17.01.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 dxc3 9.Nxc3** White is slightly better. **9...a6 10.Be3** White has compensation. **10...Qc7** 0.84/21
[10...Qd8!± 0.39/20 11.Rc1 b5 12.a4

b4 13.Ne2 Qb8 14.Ned4 Nge7 15.h4 h6 16.h5 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 Qxe5 18.f4 Qf6 19.Rc7 g6 20.Nf3 Rg8 21.Qc1 Nf5 22.Rxd7 Nxe3 23.Qc6 ½-½ Delgado Ramirez,N (2562)-Pichot,A (2634) Florianopolis op 9th 2023 (10)]

11.Rc1± Nge7 1.33/20

[⌓11...Rc8 0.93/20]



12.h4N White is much more active.

[12.Bc5 Ng6 13.Bd6 Bxd6 14.Nxd5 Qa5 15.Bxg6 Qxd5 16.Qxd5 exd5 17.exd6+ Be6 18.Rxe6+ Kd7 19.Bxf7 Rhf8 20.Ne5+ Nxe5 21.Rc7+ Kd8 22.Rxe5 Rc8 23.Rxc8+ Kxc8 24.Re8+ Rxe8 25.Bxe8 Kd8 26.Bf7 Kd7 1-0 Leve,N (2128)-Sydykov,B (2268) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (1)]

12...h5 1.62/17

[12...Nxe5? 13.Nxd5 Nxd5 14.Rxc7 Nxd3 15.Rxd7 *(15.Qxd3 Nxc7 16.Bb6 Bb5+-; 15.Rxb7 Bc6+-)* 15...Nxe1 16.Ne5+- *(16.Rxb7 Nxf3+ 17.Qxf3 Be7+-; 16.Rxb7 Nxf3+ 17.Qxf3 Be7+-)*]

[12...Nc8± 1.21/20]

13.Na4+- Nf5? 3.66/21

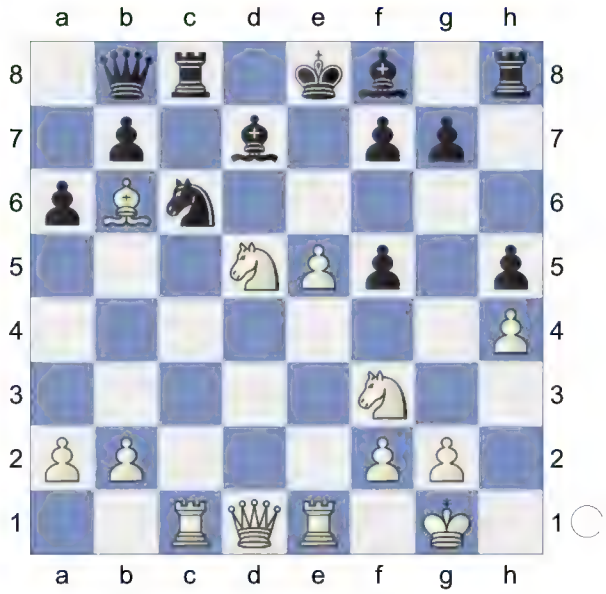
[13...Rc8 1.68/16 14.a3 g6]

14.Bxf5 exf5 15.Nb6

[15.Qxd5 Be6 16.Qd1 Bb4±]

15...Rd8 16.Nxd5 Qb8 ...Bd7-e6! would now be deadly. Black is weak on the dark squares **17.Bb6 Rc8** 5.39/20

[17...Be6 3.76/20 is a better defense.]



Wards off Nd5-c7+ **18.e6! fxe6**

[18...Bxe6 19.Ng5]

19.Ng5 e5? 7.59/18

[19...Bd6 3.46/17 20.Bc5 *(20.Nxe6 Bxe6 21.Rxe6+ Kf7+-)* 20...Nd8]

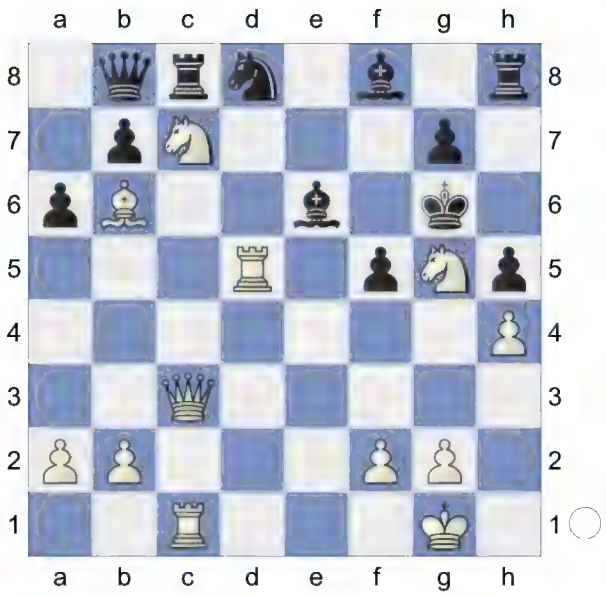
20.Qb3 Nd5-f6+! would kill now.

20...Nd8 21.Nc7+ Excellent horsemanship. **21...Ke7 22.Rxe5+ Kf6 23.Rd5** 15.21/18

[⌓23.Rce1 #4/15 g6 24.Re7 *(24.Qc3 Kg7 25.Rxf5+* Discovered Attack (Check) *Kg8 26.Rxf8+* Deflection, Back Rank *Kxf8 27.Qxh8#)* 24...f4 25.Rf7+ Skewer Nxf7 26.Qxf7#]

23...Be6 24.Qc3+ Kg6

(Diagram)



25.Rxd8! Remove Defender **25...Rxd8 26.Ngxe6 Rd7 27.Qg3+ Kh7 28.Ng5+ Kg6 29.Re1 Rd6 30.Re8** 13.29/19
[⌓30.Qxd6+ #2/15 Bxd6 31.Re6#]
30...Qxe8 31.Nxe8 Rxb6 32.Nc7 5.68/16
[⌓32.Qc7 12.46/19 Rc6 33.Qxb7 *(33.Qf7+ Kh6+-)*]
32...Bd6

33.f4! Bxc7 34.Ne6+ Kf6 35.Nxc7 g6 36.Nd5+ Kf7 37.Nxb6 Rd8 38.Nc4 Threatening mate with Nc4-e5+. **38...Kf6 39.Qg5+ Ke6 40.Qxd8** Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.49/Black=1.17
1-0

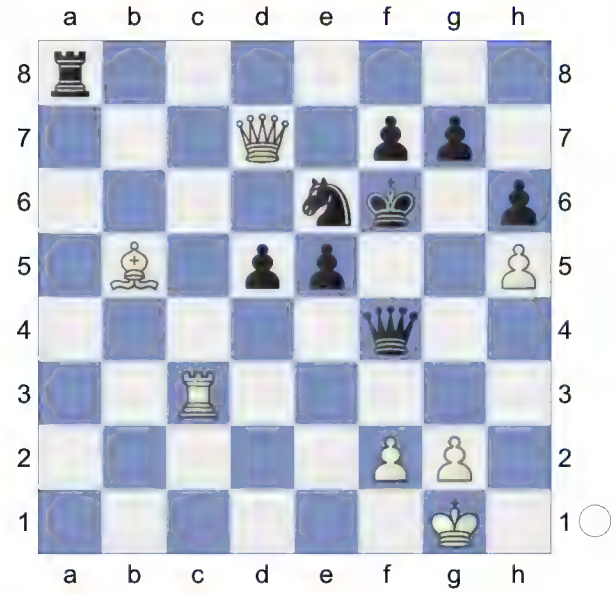
35 **C02**
□ **fireheart92** **2849**
■ **LuukDeGrote** **2610**
Blitz 16.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.h5 h6 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Nd4N** -0.60/21
[14.Ba3± 0.31/23 Qxc3 *(14...Nec6 15.Bxf8 Kxf8 16.Qa4 Ne7 17.Qf4 Qxc3 18.Bg6 Be8 19.Re3 Qc7 20.Nd4 Kg8 21.Bd3 Bd7 22.Rg3 f5 23.Qh4 Nac6 24.Nxe6 Bxe6 25.Qf6 Rh7 26.Qxe6+ Kh8 27.Rc1 Rf8 28.Nf3 Qc8 29.Qxc8* 1-0 Savitha Shri, B (2348)-Priansh,D (2317) Budapest Vezerkepzo GM 10 2024 (1)) 15.Nb3 5 Iii Quickstarter Guide-French Advance: 4...Nc6 and Nec6 16.Rc1 Qxe1+ 17.Qxe1 Bxa3 18.Rc2 Nxb3 19.axb3 0-0 20.Qe3 Be7 21.Nd4 Nb4 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Bb1 a5 24.Nf3 a4 25.bxa4 Bxa4 26.Kh2 b5 27.Qa7 Bf8 28.Qd7 Ra8 29.Nd4 Bd1 30.f3 1-0 Quillan,G (2432)-Polgar,S (2404) Pardubice op-A 2005 (2) Bc5 31.Nxe6 fxe6 32.Qxe6+ Kh8 33.Qg6 Bc2 34.Bxc2 Nxc2 35.Qc6 1-0 Guo,A (2432)-Ostrovskiy,A (2404) New York Spring GM-A 2022 (2)]
14...a6 0.24/22

[Black should try 14...Qxc3∓ -0.60/21 15.N2f3 Qc7]
15.N2f3 -0.79/24
[15.N2b3= 0.24/22]
15...Nec6 -0.35/22
[15...Qxc3∓ -0.79/24 16.Bf4 Nec6]
16.a4 Nxd4 17.cxd4 Nc4 0.00/23
[17...Qc6∓ -0.37/23]
18.Bf4 -0.67/21
[18.Re2= 0.00/23]
18...b5 -0.24/21
[18...Na3∓ -0.67/21 19.Rc1 Qd8 *(19...Nc4 20.Nd2=)*]
19.axb5= axb5 0.09/20
[⌓19...Bxb5 -0.28/24 20.Bxc4 dxc4]
20.Nd2! Qa5 0.36/23
[20...Na3!= -0.01/22 21.Ra1 b4]
21.Nb3 Qd8 1.93/23
[21...Qa4!= 0.18/21 and Black is okay.]
22.Qg4+- b4 2.65/21
[⌓22...Rb8 1.68/21 23.Nc5 Qc8]
23.Nc5 Bxc5? 4.48/24
[23...Rb8 2.35/20 24.Rec1 Na3]
24.dxc5 2.41/17
[⌓24.Qxg7 4.48/24 Rf8 25.dxc5]
24...Kf8 25.Rxb4 Rxc5 26.Reb1 Rc8 27.Rb7 Strongly threatening Bf4-g3.
27...Na5 28.R7b6 Hoping for Bf4-g3.
Black is weak on the dark squares
28...Qc7 2.90/19
[28...Kg8± 1.58/17 was necessary. 29.Ba6 Nc4]
29.Be3 And now Qg4-b4+ would win.
29...Qxe5? 4.37/19
[29...Kg8 1.78/18 30.Rd6 Be8]
30.Bf4 1.77/21
[⌓30.Qb4+ 4.37/19 Ke8 31.Qxa5]
30...Qf6 31.Ba6 1.03/19 A strong pair of Bishops.
[White should play 31.Rb8+- 1.95/22 Ke7 32.Qg3 Decoy]
31...Re8 2.19/22
[31...Nc4± 1.03/19 might work better.]
32.Rb8? 0.13/22
[32.Rd6+- 2.19/22 Bc8 33.Bxc8 Rxc8 34.Rxd5 Pin]
32...Nc6 0.52/21
[32...Nc4= 0.13/22 deserves consideration.]
33.R8b7↑ White fights for an advantage.
33...Bc8 White must now prevent ...e6-e5! **34.Rc7**

Discovered Attack, Double Attack
34...e5? 5.32/19
[34...Bxa6± 0.56/19 35.Rxc6 Bc8]
35.Rxc8+-
[Stronger than 35.Bxc8 exf4 36.Bd7 Ne5±]
35...Qxf4 36.Rxe8+ Kxe8 37.Qc8+ Nd8 38.Bb5+ 3.77/19
[⌓38.Qc7 8.37/19 White wants to mate with Ba6-b5+. Qf6 39.Rb8]
38...Ke7 39.Rc1? 0.00/20
[39.Rb3+- 3.54/20]
39...Ne6= 40.Qd7+ -1.67/19
[40.Rc7+!= 0.00/20 and White has nothing to worry. Nxc7 41.Qxc7+ Kf6 42.Qd6+ Kg5 43.g3]
40...Kf6-+ 41.Rc3 -3.67/17

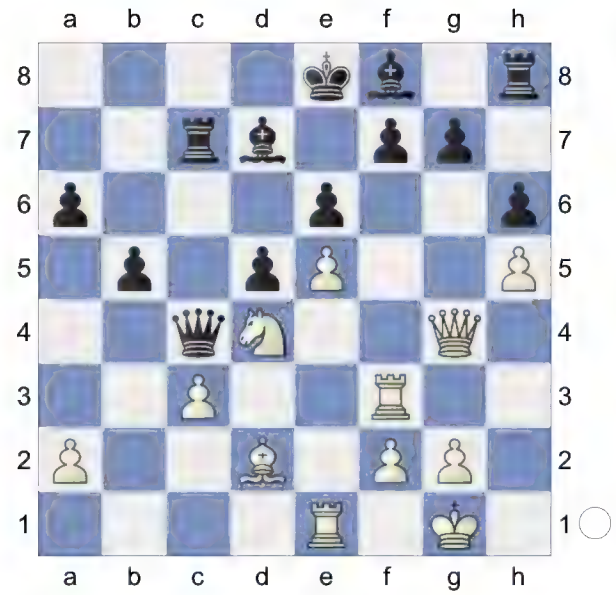
[41.Ra1∓ -1.35/20]
41...Ra8?? 3.70/21
[41...Rd8-+ -3.67/17 and all is fine. 42.Qa7 e4]



42.Rf3!+- Pin **42...Ra1+ 43.Bf1 Nd4?** 5.90/20
[43...Qxf3 3.42/21 44.gxf3 d4]
44.Rxf4+ exf4 45.Qd6+ Time forfeit
Time forfeit. Weighted Error Value: White=0.79/Black=0.83
1-0

36 **C02**
□ **Eyesless18** **2848**
■ **mick_chess** **2745**
Blitz 28.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...h6 10.h5 Rc8 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5**
[12...Nf5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Nb3 Be7 15.Bf4 0-0 16.Qd2 Nh4 17.Nxh4 Bxh4 18.Nc5 Na5 19.Nxd7 Qxd7 20.Rb4 Be7 21.Bxh6 Bxb4 22.Bxg7 f5 23.exf6 Bxc3 24.Qh6 Qxg7 25.fxg7 Bxg7 26.Qh7+ Kf7 27.h6 1-0 Yoo,C (2603)-Masruri,R (2327) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (11)]
13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Nb3
[14.Ba3 Nec6 15.Bxf8 Kxf8 16.Qa4 Ne7 17.Qf4 Qxc3 18.Bg6 Be8 19.Re3 Qc7 20.Nd4 Kg8 21.Bd3 Bd7 22.Rg3 f5 23.Qh4 Nac6 24.Nxe6 Bxe6 25.Qf6 Rh7 26.Qxe6+ Kh8 27.Rc1 Rf8 28.Nf3 Qc8 1-0 Savitha Shri,B (2348)-Priansh, D (2317) Budapest Vezerkepzo GM 10 2024 (1)]
14...Nec6N 0.46/20
[14...Nxb3= 0.00/20 feels stronger. 15.Qxb3 *(15.axb3 Qxc3 16.b4 a6 17.Be3 Qc7 18.b5 Bxb5 19.Bxb5+ axb5 20.Rxb5 Nf5 21.Qa4 Qd7 22.Rc1 Rxc1+ 23.Bxc1 Be7* #4 18) Advance - 6.Bd3-9.h4 h6 10.h5*)* 15...Qxc3]
15.Bd2 -0.38/23
[15.Bf4± 0.46/20]
15...Be7 16.Nbd4 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 a6 1.10/21
[17...0-0!= -0.19/20]
18.Qg4↑ Black is under strong pressure.
18...Bf8 19.Re3 0.57/19 White is much more active. The black rooks are passive.
[19.f4± 1.27/20]
19...b5 1.63/21
[19...Nc4!± 0.57/19 20.Bxc4 dxc4]
20.Rbe1? 0.11/19
[White should try 20.Rf3+- 1.63/21]
20...Nc4= 21.Bxc4 Qxc4 22.Rf3 Rc7 0.60/22
[22...Qxa2= 0.00/22 23.Qf4 Kd8]



23.a3 -0.12/20 **Bc8** 0.63/20
[23...Qa2!= -0.12/20 24.Bc1 *(24.Qf4 Bc8±)* 24...Qb1]
24.Kh2 -0.21/21
[24.Ra1± 0.63/20]
24...Rg8? 1.33/21
[24...Qa2!= -0.21/21 25.Bc1 Qb1]
25.Bxh6± Pin. White now steadily converts the win. **25...a5** 2.30/20
[25...Rh8± 1.16/19]
26.Bg5 Bg5-f6! is the strong threat.
26...Rh8 27.h6 g6? 3.55/19
[27...gxh6 1.93/16 was called for. 28.Bh4 *(28.Bf6 h5±)* 28...Bd7]
28.Rh3 Black must now prevent Qg4-f3. Black is weak on the dark squares
28...Rh7 29.Ree3 Bxa3 30.Qf4 Bf8 31.Qf6 Be7 7.34/20
[31...Re7 1.87/18 32.Re1 Bd7]

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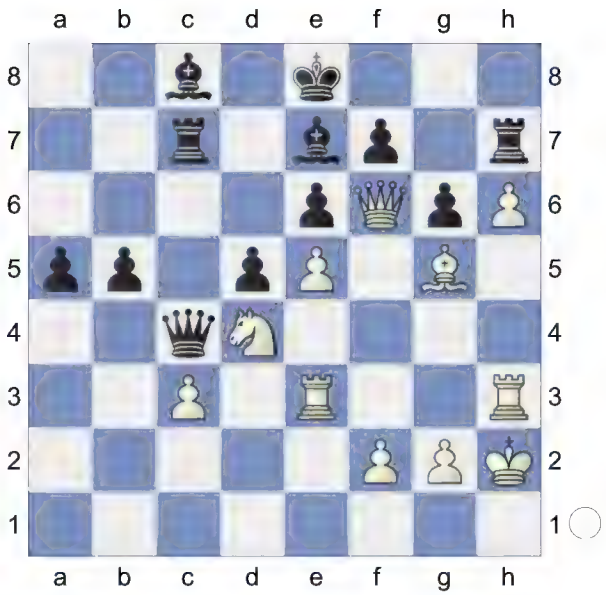
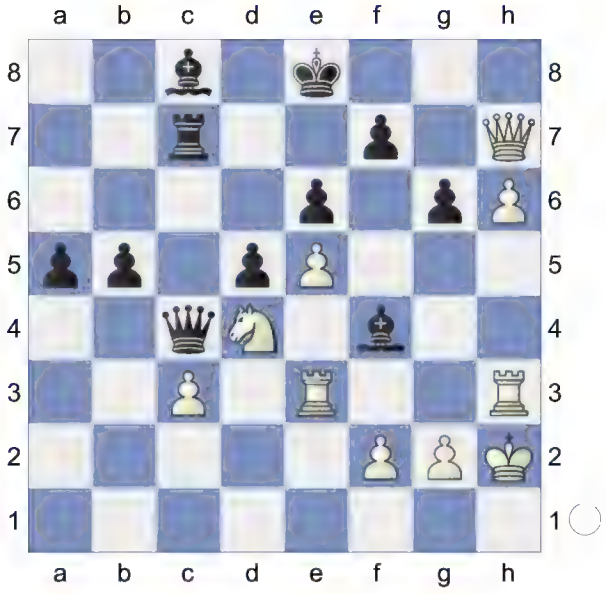
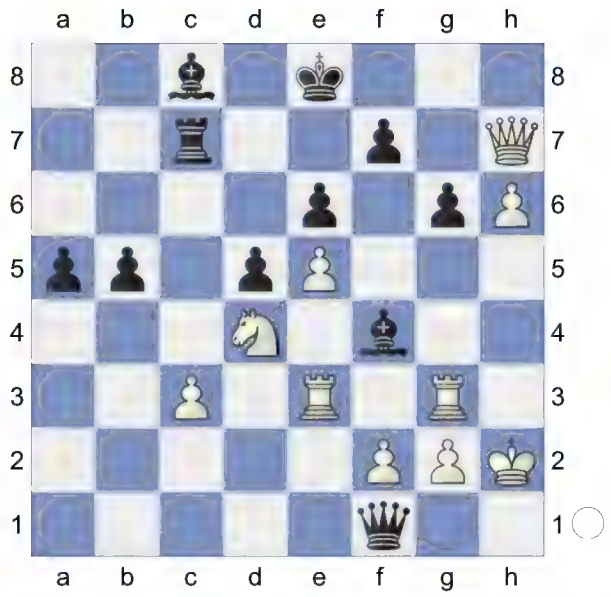


32.Qg7!!+- Promotion **32...Bxg5**
33.Qxh7 Strongly threatening Qh7-g8+.
33...Bf4+

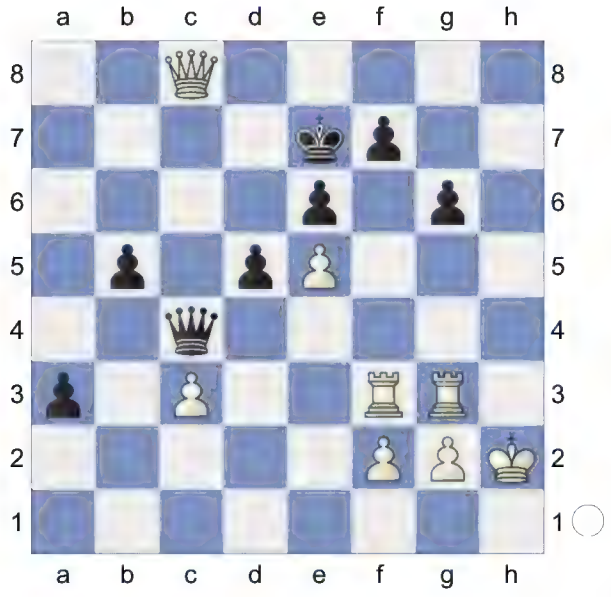


34.Rhg3! Qf1
[34...Bxh6 35.Qxh6]

(Diagram)



35.Qg7! 8.35/19 **Bxh6**
[35...Qxf2 36.h7]
36.Qxh6 a4 37.Ref3 15.62/18
[⌓37.Qh8+ #8/16 Ke7 38.Qf6+ Ke8 39.Rh3 Re7 40.Nc6 *(40.Rh8+ Kd7)* 40...Kd7 41.Qxe7+ *(41.Nxe7 Qe2 42.Rxe2 Bb7 43.Qxf7 d4 44.Nd5+ Kc6 45.Qc7+ Kxd5 46.c4+ bxc4 47.Qd6#)* 41...Kxc6 42.Rh8 *(42.Qxf7 b4+-)*]
37...Re7 38.Nc6 a3 39.Qh8+ White mates. **39...Kd7 40.Nxe7 Kxe7 41.Qxc8 Qc4**



42.Rxf7+!! Kxf7 43.Rf3+ Kg7 44.Qf8+ Kh7 45.Rf7# Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.66
1-0

37 **C02**
□ **RaspFish** **2843**
■ **mayhem23111** **2931**
Blitz 06.12.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3**
[4.b4 c4 5.c3 a5 6.b5 Nd7 7.d3 cxd3 8.Bxd3 f6 9.exf6 Ngxf6 10.Bf4 Be7 11.Qe2 0-0 12.0-0 Nc5 13.Nbd2 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 a4 15.Rab1 Gambiteer-French Defence Player Wing Gambit (ALL) 2023 (4)]
4...Nc6 5.d4N
[5.Na3 Nh6 6.Nc2 f6 *(6...Be7 7.d4 Nf5 8.Be2 0-0 9.0-0 Bd7 10.dxc5 Bxc5 11.Bd3 g6 12.Re1 f6 13.Bxf5 gxf5 14.Bf4 Qb6 15.Qd2 Rae8 16.Rab1 Qd8 17.Rbd1 Rf7 18.Ncd4 Bb6 19.exf6 Qxf6 20.Ne5 Rg7 21.Re3* 1-0 8.♗d3 ♗d6 9.0-0 0-0 (2483)-Cowper (2218) Kaschau 1893 (2.2) *)* 7.exf6 Qxf6 8.d4 cxd4 9.Bg5 Qg6 10.Ncxd4 Bd6 11.Bh4 0-0 12.Bg3 Bxg3 13.hxg3 e5 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.Nxe5 Re8 16.Qe2 Qf6 17.f4 Bg4 18.Qe3 Nf5 19.Qf2 Rab8 1-0 Cicak,S (2569)-Mertens,M (2217) Luxembourg-chT 1112 2011 (3)]
[5.Bb5 Nge7 6.0-0 Qb6 7.Ba4 Bd7 8.Re1 c4 9.b3 Qa6 10.Na3 Ng6 11.Nb5 Rc8 12.d3 cxd3 13.Qxd3 Qa5 14.Qd1 a6 15.b4 Qd8 16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 0-0 18.Bc2 Qf6 19.Bd2 e5 0-1 Cicak,S (2480)-

Hansen,C (2595) VISA GP Reykjavik 1998 (4) 20.Be3 e4 21.Nd4 Nce5 22.Ne2 Be6 23.Bd4 Qg5 24.Ng3 f5 25.Bb3 Nd3 26.Re3 Nxf2 27.Qh5 Qd8 28.Kxf2 f4 29.Rxe4 fxg3+ 30.Kg1 Rf5 31.Qe2 gxh2+ 32.Kh1 Bf7 33.Rg4 Qxd6 34.Bc2 Rh5 ½-½ Zilch,L (2530)-Kariakina,M (2467) 98/(200) Great Britain 2005 (2. 1)]

5...Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.Nbd2 Nf5 11.Nb3**

[11.Rb1 simplifies Qd8 12.Bxf5 exf5 13.cxd4 Be6 14.Nb3]

11...dxc3 12.bxc3 Be7 13.h5 h6 14.Rb1 Qd8 15.Qe2 0-0 16.Bc2 b6 17.g3 -0.30/21

[⌓17.Qd3 0.07/20 f6 18.exf6 Bxf6 *(18...Rxf6 19.g4±)* 19.Ba3]

17...Re8= 18.g4 Nh4 19.Nxh4 Bxh4 20.Qd3 f5 21.Re2 Kh8

[21...fxg4 22.Qh7+ Kf8 23.Qh8+ Kf7 24.Bg6+ Ke7 25.Qxg7#]

22.f4 Rf8 23.Rg2 Be7 24.Qg3 Black must now prevent g4xf5. **24...Rf7 25.Bd2** -0.56/22

[25.Be3= -0.10/21]

(Diagram)

25...d4! 26.Rd1

[26.gxf5 exf5]

26...Qe8 27.Bb1

[27.Nxd4? Nxd4 28.Bb1 Nb5 29.gxf5 exf5-+]

[27.cxd4 Nxe5 28.dxe5 Rxc2 29.gxf5 exf5]

27...dxc3 28.Bxc3 Nd8! 29.Bb2 Rc4! 30.Rgd2 Ba4 31.Kh2 Rf8! White is now going downhill.

[31...fxg4? 32.Qd3 Rf5 *(32...g3+? 33.Kxg3+-)* 33.Qxc4+-]

32.Bd3 Rc7 33.Qh3 Bb4! ...Ba4xb3 would now be deadly. **34.Rg2** -1.18/18

[White should play 34.Re2∓ -0.63/20]

34...Bc6∓ 35.Rf2 Rd7! 36.a3 Be7 37.Rfd2 -2.36/20

[37.Rdd2∓ -1.33/18]

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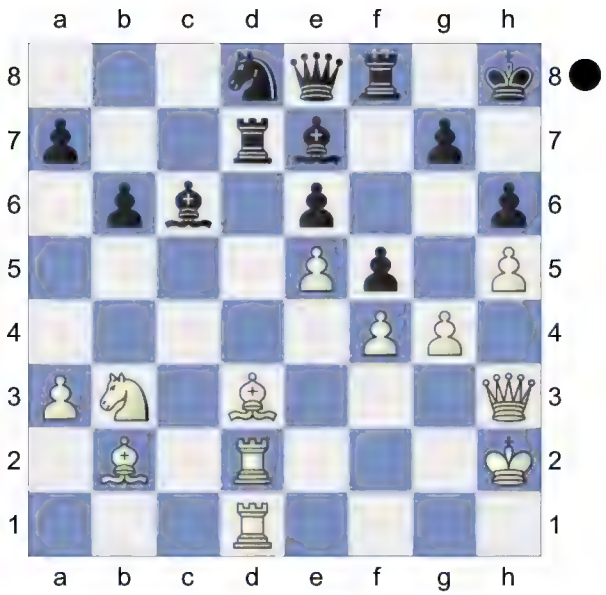
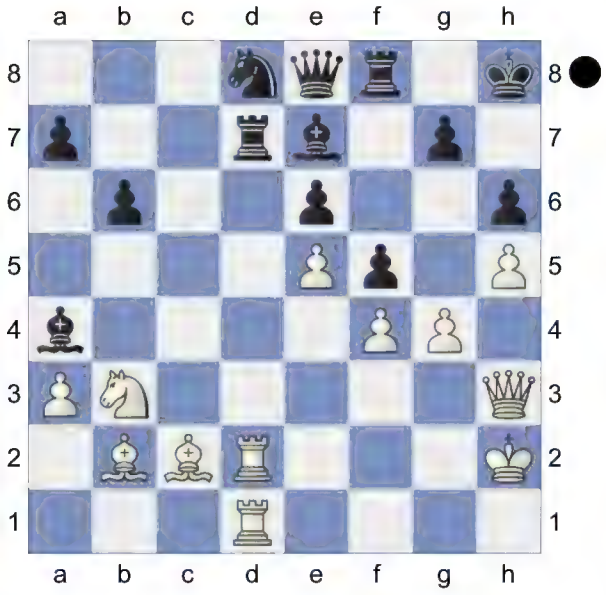


37...Ba4!-+ 38.Bc2



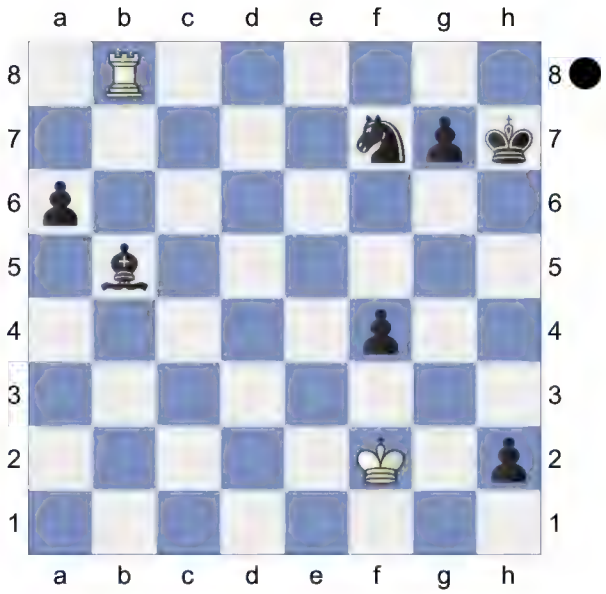
Rc7 39.Rg1 fxg4 40.Qxg4 Qf7 41.Bg6 Qxf4+ 42.Qxf4 Rxf4 43.Nd4 Kg8 44.Kg3 Rf8 45.Re1 Rc5 46.Kg2 Rd5 47.Be4 Rd7

[Don't play 47...Rxe5 48.Bh7+ Kxh7 49.Rxe5]

48.Ree2 Rf4 49.Kg3 Bg5 50.Bg6 Rf8 51.Rd3 Rd5 52.Kg2 Bf4 53.Rf2 Rxe5 54.Ne2 Rg5+ 55.Kh3 Bc7 56.Bh7+ Kxh7 57.Rxf8 Bb5

[Don't take 57...Rxh5+ 58.Kg2-+]

58.Re3 Rxh5+ 59.Kg2 Rg5+ 60.Kf2 Bc4 61.a4 b5 62.axb5 Rxb5 63.Bc3 e5 64.Ke1 Nf7 65.Ng3 Bb6 66.Re4 Nd6 67.Rg4 Be3 68.Kd1 Be6 Against Ng3-f5 **69.Rb4 Bc5 70.Rh4 Nf7 71.Re8 Bd7 72.Ra8 Bf2 73.Rb4 Rxb4 74.Bxb4 Bxg3 75.Ke2 Bb5+ 76.Kd1 a6 77.Bd2 h5** And now ...h5-h4 would win. **78.Be1 Bf4** Threatens to win with ...g7-g5. **79.Bd2 h4** ...h4-h3 is the strong threat. **80.Rb8 h3 81.Bxf4 exf4 82.Ke1 h2** (→ ...f4-f3) **83.Kf2**



f3! Black mates. **84.Rxb5**

[84.Rb7 h1Q]

84...axb5

[And not 84...h1B 85.Rh5+ Kg6 86.Rxh1=]

85.Kxf3 h1Q+ 86.Ke3 Qd1 87.Kf2 Qd2+ 88.Kf3 Ng5+ 89.Kg4 Kg6 90.Kg3 Kf5 91.Kh4 Qh2# Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) / Black=0.02 (flawless)

0-1

38 **C02**
□ **Zhigalko,Sergei** **2838**
■ **MatthewG-p4p** **2735**
Blitz 23.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1!** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.h5 h6 11.a3 a6 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nxb4!** Discovered Attack **14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Rb1⇄** White is not holding back

[16.Be3 Qa5 17.Qg4 Qc7 18.Qg3 Nf5 19.Bxf5 exf5 20.Rad1 Rd8 21.Nd4 Nxd4 22.Bxd4 Rg8 23.Rc1 Qb8 24.Bb6 Rc8 25.e6 Bd6 26.Rxc8+ Qxc8 27.exf7+ Kxf7 28.Qxd6 Re8 29.Qg6+ Kf8 30.Bc5+ Qxc5 1-0 Dubreuil,J (2104)-Santos Flores,A (2230) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Jan Late blitz 2025 (3)]

16...Qc7 17.Bd2 Qd7 18.Qf4N

[18.Nh4 Nxe5 19.Qb3 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Rc4 21.g3 Nc6 22.Nf5 Re4 23.f3 Ne5 24.Qb3 Rxe1+ 25.Rxe1 Nc4 26.Bc3 f6 27.Bd4 Kf7 28.Nh4 e5 29.Ng6 Rg8 30.Bf2 Bd6 31.Rd1 Qc6 32.Qd3 d4 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Galchenko,M (2438) Titled Tue 22nd Aug Early blitz 2023 (11)]

[18.Qg4 Rc7 19.Nh4 Rg8 20.a4 g5 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Nxg6 Nxg6 23.Bxg6+ Kd8 24.Qf3 Qg7 25.Bh5 Be7 26.Qh3 Kd7 27.Rb3 Bc5 28.Bxh6 Qh7 29.Rf3 Kc8 30.Qxe6+ Kb8 31.Rf7 Qc2 32.Rc1 Qe4 1-0 Schneider,I (2475)-Khadempour,F (2141) Neckar op 20th 2023 (4) 33.Bf3 Qxe5 34.Qxd5 Bd6 35.Rxc7 Qh2+ 36.Kf1 Re8 37.Rxb7+ Ka8 38.Qh5 Qe5 39.Qxe8+ Qxe8 40.Bxc6 Qh5 41.Rbb1+ 1-0 Lazic,M (2475)-Knoeppel,B (2141) Budapest 1996 (4)]

18...d4 0.53/19

[18...Rc7= -0.15/20]

19.Qg4 g6 20.hxg6 Nxg6 21.Bxg6 A strong pair of Bishops. **21...Rg8!** **22.Bxf7+** Discovered Attack **22...Qxf7** **23.Qe4 Bxa3**

[23...Rc7 simplifies 24.g3 Qg6 25.a4 Qxe4 26.Rxe4 Rd7]

24.Bxh6 -0.58/18

[Better is 24.Rb3= -0.01/21 Bc5 25.Rc1]

24...Bb4 0.00/21

[24...Qg6∓ -0.58/18 25.Qxg6+ Rxg6]

25.Rec1= Bc3 26.Bg5 -0.47/23

[26.Bd2= 0.27/19]

26...b5!∓ ...Qf7-f5 would now be deadly.

27.g3? -2.60/18

[27.Be3!∓ -0.33/18]

27...b4? -0.10/19

[27...Qf5-+ -2.60/18 28.Qxf5 exf5]

28.Kg2? -1.95/18

[28.Bf6= -0.10/19 and White is okay.]

28...a5? 0.00/19

[28...Qf5-+ -1.95/18 29.Qxf5 exf5]

29.Rh1 Bg5-f6 is the strong threat.

29...a4 1.22/20

[29...Qf5= -0.03/21 remains equal. 30.Qxf5 exf5]

30.Rh7 Qf5

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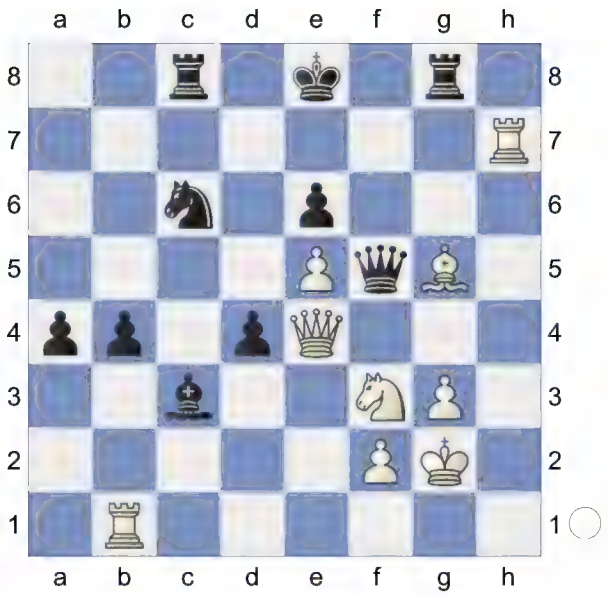


Deflection **31.Qh4** 0.00/21 **Qxb1=**
32.Rh6 Threatens to win with Qh4-h5+.
32...Qf5 0.87/23 **33.Qh5+?** -2.16/20
[33.Rf6± 0.87/23 Rxg5 34.Nxg5 Qxe5 35.Rxe6+ Qxe6 36.Nxe6]
33...Qf7 5.19/18
[33...Kd7-+ -2.16/20 and life is good for Black. 34.Rf6 Rxg5 35.Rf7+ Ke8 *(35...Ne7 36.Nxg5 d3 37.Rxf5=)* 36.Nxg5 Qxg5 Remove Defender *(36...Qxe5 37.Rg7+ Kf8 38.Qh8#)* 37.Qxg5 Kxf7 38.Qf6+ Ke8 39.Qxe6+ Ne7]
34.Qg4?? -5.47/17
[34.Rxe6++- 5.19/18 is the narrow road to win. Kf8 35.Rf6 Pin]
34...Nd8 Black is clearly winning.
35.Qe4 a3 36.Bxd8 Kxd8
[36...Rxd8 37.Rh7=]
37.Rh7 Rg7 38.Ng5 Rxh7
[Worse is 38...Rxg5 39.Rxf7 Rc7 40.Qa8+ Rc8 41.Rf8+ Ke7 42.Qxc8 *(42.Rxc8 Kf7 43.Rh8 Kg6 44.Qf8 Rxe5 45.Rh6+ Kg5 46.Qf4#; 42.Rxc8 Kf7 43.Rh8 Kg6 44.Qf8 Rxe5 45.Rh6+ Kg5 46.Qf4#)*]
39.Nxf7+ Rxf7 40.Qg6 Re7
Strongly threatening ...a3-a2. **41.Qf6 Kd7 42.f4 a2 43.f5 a1Q** (→ ... Qa1-a2+)
[Weaker is 43...a1B 44.fxe6+ Rxe6 45.Qf7+ Re7 46.Qd5+= Kc7 *(46...Ke8 47.Qg8+ Kd7 48.Qd5+ Ke8 49.Qg8+ Kd7 50.Qd5+=)* 47.Qd6+ Kb7 48.Qxe7+ Rc7 49.Qd8=]
44.fxe6+ Rxe6 45.Qf7+ Re7
Weighted Error Value: White=0.75/ Black=0.53
0-1

39 **C02**
□ **MJRFRNLM** **2833**
■ **AnythingButAverage** **2934**
Blitz 28.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 0.40/17
[8...Nh6= 0.04/19]
9.Nbd2 -0.01/21
[9.h4± 0.40/17 feels stronger.]
9...Ng6= 10.Nb3 dxc3 11.bxc3 Qc7 12.Qe2 f6 0.81/22
[12...Be7= 0.01/18 remains equal. 13.Nbd4 0-0 14.Rb1 f5 15.exf6 Rxf6 16.Bxg6 Rxg6 17.Nxc6 Bxc6 18.Ne5 Rf6 19.Bg5 Rff8 20.Nxc6 Bxg5 21.Qxe6+ Kh8 22.Ne5 Rad8 23.Re2 Bf6 24.Rbe1 Bxe5 25.Qxe5 Qxe5 26.Rxe5 Kg8 27.g3 d4 ½-½ (35) Booktester (2968)-RaspFish (2991) Blitz 2024]
13.exf6N
[13.Bxg6+ hxg6 14.Qd3 0-0-0 15.Bf4 g5 16.Bg3 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 fxe5 18.Bxe5 Bd6 19.Qg3 Bxe5 20.Rxe5 Rh4 21.Nd4 Rdh8 22.h3

g4 23.Nxe6 Qb6 24.Nf4 Qb2 25.Rae1 gxh3 26.Nxd5 Rc4 27.R5e2 Qxe2 1-0 (29) Payne,M (2104)-Dong,B (2361) Cambridge op 2023 (5) 28.Rxe2 b6 29.Qd6 1-0 8.a3 ♘c6 9. ♕c2 64101 (2104)-Srigley,D (2361) 1st Asean Open 2001 (5)]

Black is now going downhill. **13...gxf6**

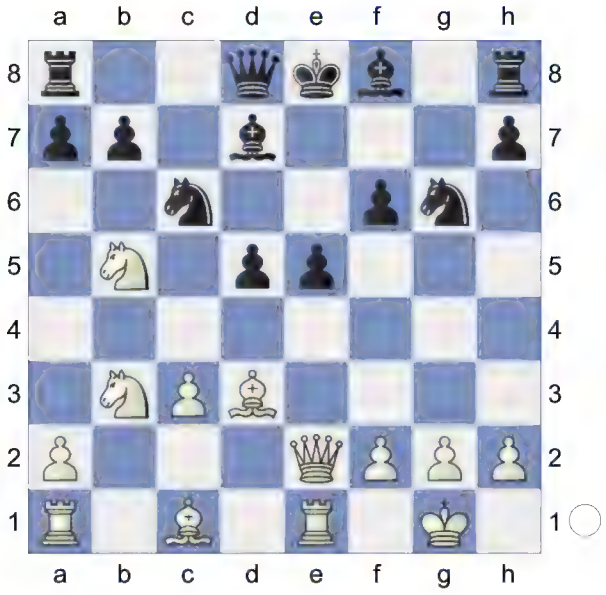
14.Nfd4 e5 1.74/19

[Black should try 14...Nxd4!± 0.46/18 15.Nxd4 e5]

15.Nb5↑ White has strong initiative.

15...Qd8 3.72/21

[15...Qb8± 1.25/19]



16.c4? 0.44/18

[16.Qh5!+- 3.72/21 f5 17.Bg5 *(17.Bxf5 Bxf5 18.Qxf5 Qc8±)*]

16...d4? 5.39/19 **17.N5xd4?** 2.07/17

[Less strong is 17.N3xd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Bb4±]

[17.Qh5 5.39/19 Bg7 18.Ba3 *(18.Bxg6+ hxg6 19.Qxg6+ Kf8±; 18.N3xd4 Nxd4 19.Nxd4 Qc7+-; 18.N5xd4 Nce7+-)*]

17...Nxd4 3.40/18

[⌓17...Bb4 2.07/17]

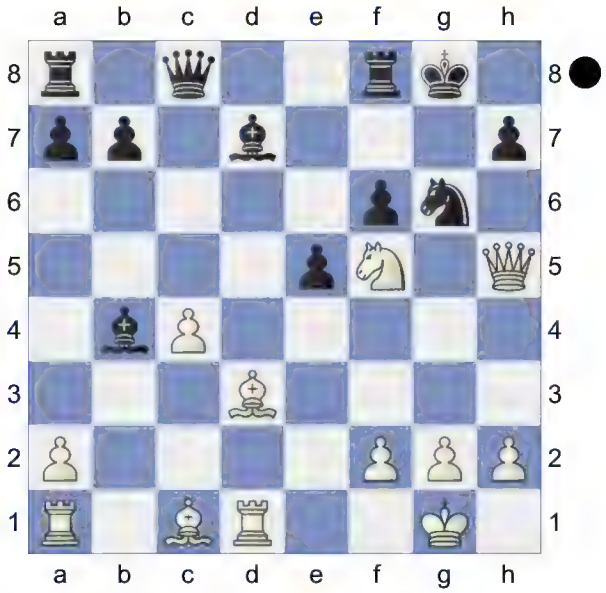
18.Nxd4 Bb4 19.Rd1 0-0 3.33/19

[⌓19...Qa5 2.35/20 20.Nb3 Qc7]

20.Nf5 Qc8 4.14/18

[⌓20...Qc7 2.84/18 21.Be4 Bc6]

21.Qh5



Kh8? 7.02/18

[21...Ba4 3.69/17 22.Rf1 Rd8]

22.Nh4 Be8 23.Nxg6+ Bxg6 24.Bxg6 Qc7 25.Bf5 Rg8 26.Be3 Rg7 27.Bh6 Re7 28.Qh4 Qc6 29.Be4 Qe6 30.Bd5 Qf5 31.Qe4 Qg6 32.Qxg6 hxg6 33.Be3 Rc8 34.Rab1 Bc5 35.Bxc5 Rxc5 36.Bxb7 Rxc4 37.Bd5 Rc2 38.g3 Kg7 39.h4 Rec7 40.Bb3 Re2 41.Re1 Rxe1+ 42.Rxe1 Endgame KRB-KR **42...Rc3 43.Kg2 f5 44.Rxe5 Kh6 45.Re7** Hoping for Bg8!. **45...a5 46.Bg8 g5 47.hxg5+ Kxg5 48.Rg7+ Kf6 49.Ra7 f4 50.Rxa5 Rb3**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.78/ Black=1.34

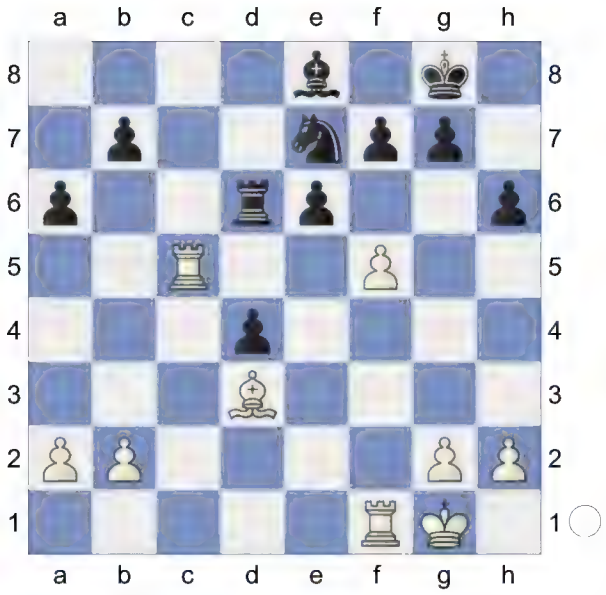
51.Bxb3

1-0

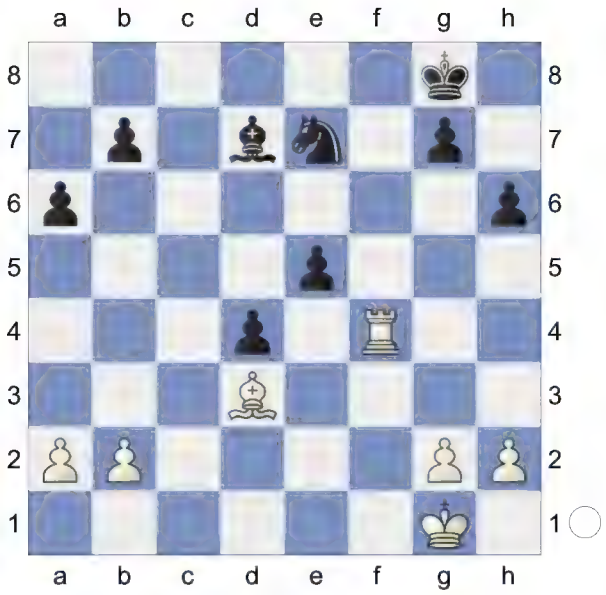
40 **C02**
□ **AkkTrainGm** **2829**
■ **Chessmatenok17** **2722**
Blitz 30.09.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.e5 d5 3.d4 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.Nc3 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.0-0 a6 11.Re1 Ne7 12.Be3**
[12.Qf3 Ng6 13.Bxg6 hxg6 14.Qf4 Qxf4 15.Bxf4 Bb4 16.Rec1 Rc8 17.a3 Ba5 18.Ne2 0-0 19.Nd4 f6 20.Nf3 Kf7 21.h3 Bb6 22.Be3 Bxe3 23.fxe3 Bb5 24.Kf2 Bd3 25.exf6 gxf6 26.Nd4 e5 0-1 Gafke,M (1425)-Volf,J (1906) Bosna i Hercegovina 73/370 1998 (1)]
12...Qxe5 13.Qb3N -1.47/18
[⌓13.Rc1 -0.91/17 Bc6 14.Bb1 Ng6 15.g3 Qd6 16.h4 d4 17.Qxd4 Ne5 18.Qxd6 Bxd6 19.Red1 0-0-0 20.Be4 Bc7 21.Bxc6 Nxc6 22.Ne4 Rxd1+ 23.Rxd1 Rd8 24.Rxd8+ Nxd8 25.Bc5 Kd7 26.f4 Kc6 27.Be7 h6 28.Kf2 0-1 Brooks,M-Kraai,J Saint Louis 2011 (8)]
[13.Qg4 h5 14.Qb4 Nc6 15.Qxb7 Rb8 16.Qxa6 Nb4 17.Qa7 Nxd3 18.Bd4 Qd6 19.Re3 Nb4 20.Be5 Qb6 21.Bxb8 Qxa7 22.Bxa7 Nc2 23.Rd1 Nxe3 24.Bxe3 Be7 25.a4 Bb4 26.a5 Bxa5 27.Bc5 Bxc3 0-1 Vazquez Torres,A (2160)-Moreno Ruiz,J (2491) Madrid Oliver Gonzalez Memorial 1st 2010 (2)]
[13.Na4 Bxa4 14.Qxa4+ Nc6 15.Rac1 Qd6 16.a3 Be7 17.Qc2 h6 18.b4 d4 19.Bd2 Bg5 20.Be4 Bxd2 21.Bxc6+ bxc6 22.Qxd2 0-0 23.Rc5 a5 24.Rec1 axb4 25.Rxc6 Qd5 26.R6c5 Qb3 27.axb4 Rfb8 0-1 Stawicki,A (2053)-Keller,E (1781) 4: Chinese Championship, Xinghua 2013 (3) 28.Qxd4 Qxb4 29.Qd7 Qxc5 0-1 Prie,E (2053)-Jourdren,K (1781) Rohde op 12th 2012 (3)]
13...d4 -0.36/21
[13...Bc6∓ -1.47/18 And now ...Ne7-g6 would win. 14.Ne2 Ng6]
14.Bd2 -1.13/21
[14.f4!∓ -0.36/21 Qa5 15.Bxd4]
14...Qc7∓ Black is better. **15.Ne4 Nc6 16.Ng5** -1.59/22
[White should play 16.Rac1 -1.02/19]
16...h6 17.Ne4 Be7 18.Rac1 0-0 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Rxc5 Rab8 -1.08/17
[⌓20...Qd6 -1.53/20 21.Qb6 Qb8]
21.f4 -1.56/18
[⌓21.Rh5 -1.08/17]
21...Qd6 22.Qb6 Rfd8 23.Rf1 -2.01/19
[23.b4∓ -1.42/21]
23...Be8 -0.90/16
[23...Qf8-+ -2.01/19 is more deadly. Strongly threatening ...Nc6-e7. 24.Be1 Ne7]
24.f5 Ne7? 2.03/17 Loses the game.
[24...e5∓ -0.85/23 White must now prevent ...f7-f6. 25.f6 gxf6 26.Bxh6 Bd7]
25.Qxd6+- Rxd6 26.Bf4 Rbd8
[26...e5 27.Rxe5 *(27.Bxe5 Rdd8+-)* 27...g5 28.Bg3+- *(28.Rxe7 gxf4 29.Re5 Rc8∓; 28.fxg6 Nxg6 29.Rxe8+* Discovered Attack *Rxe8+-)*]
27.Bxd6 Rxd6

(Diagram)



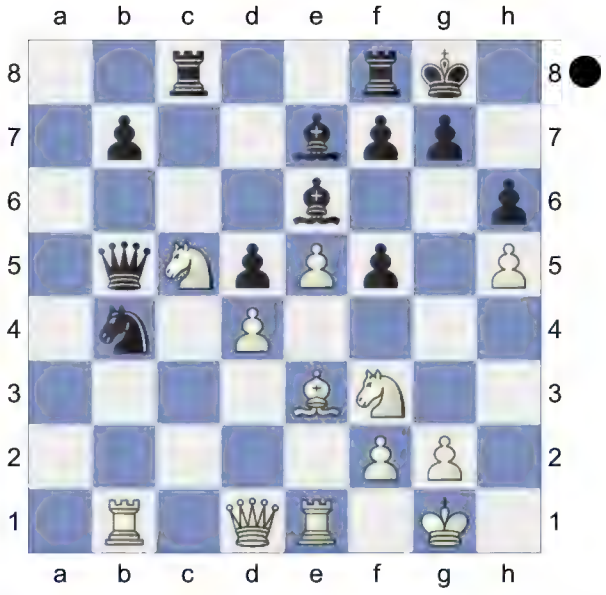
28.fxe6! fxe6 29.Rc7 Rd7 30.Rxd7 Bxd7 31.Rf4 e5



32.Bc4+? 4.98/19
[32.Re4! 2.00/24]
32...Kh7 33.Rf7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.51
1-0

41 **C02**
□ **Zhigalko,Sergei** **2823**
■ **killed_out** **2599**
Blitz 20.06.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...h6 10.h5 Rc8 11.a3 Nf5 12.Bxf5 exf5 13.cxd4 Be6 14.Nc3 Be7 15.Na4N**
[15.Ne2 Na5 16.b4 Nc4 17.Qd3 a5 18.bxa5 Qxa5 19.Ng3 g6 20.Rb1 b6 21.Re2 Qa4 22.Rc2 Qd7 23.Qe2 g5 24.Rc3 f4 25.Nf1 Bf5 26.Ra1 0-0 27.N1d2 b5 28.Nb3 b4 29.axb4 0-1 Escalona Landi,S (2286)-Christie, J (2201) Caribean-chT 24th 2023 (7.1)]
15...Qb5 16.Nc3 Qb6 17.Na4 Qb5 18.b4 0-0 19.Be3 a5 20.Nc5 axb4 21.axb4 Nxb4 22.Rb1



aiming for Be3-d2. **22...b6 23.Nb7** -1.02/22
[White should play 23.Nxe6∓ -0.32/21 fxe6 24.Qd2]

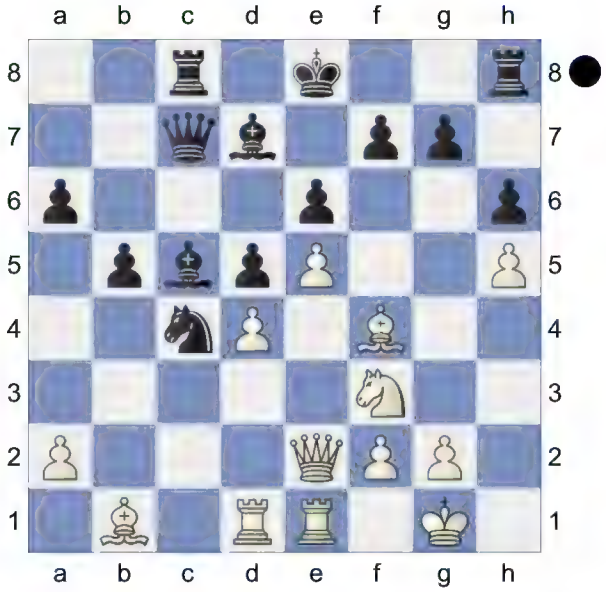
23...Qc6 -0.52/19
[23...Qd7∓ -1.02/22 24.Nd6 Bxd6 25.exd6 Nc2 *(25...Qxd6 26.Qd2=)*]
24.Nd6∓ Bxd6 25.exd6 Qxd6 0.24/22
[25...Nc2∓ -0.63/24 26.Re2 Na3]
26.Qd2= Hoping for Be3-f4! **26...Nc2!**
27.Bf4 -1.17/24
[27.Bxh6!= 0.00/23 f6 *(27...gxh6 28.Qxh6 Qd7 29.Ng5±; 27...Nxe1 28.Qg5 Nxf3+ 29.gxf3 g6 30.Qf6)* 28.Re2 gxh6 29.Rc1 *(29.Qxh6 Rc7=)*]
27...Qe7 -0.27/24
[27...Qd7∓ -1.17/24 28.Ne5 Qa4]
28.Re2 Na3 29.Rbe1 -1.75/23
[29.Rxb6= -0.30/22 and White stays safe. Nc4 30.Qb4 Qxb4 31.Rxb4]
29...Nc4 30.Qc1 -2.09/22
[30.Qd3∓ -1.45/21]
30...Qa3? -0.12/25
[30...Ne5-+ -2.09/22 31.Qe3 Nxf3+ 32.Qxf3 Rfe8 33.Qxd5 Red8 34.Qxf5 Rxd4]
31.Bxh6 Qxc1 32.Bxc1 b5↑
Black has good play. **33.h6 b4**
34.hxg7! Kxg7 35.Ne5 -1.48/23
[35.Bf4!∓ -0.34/19]
35...b3 36.Nd3 Rb8 -1.26/18
[Black should try 36...Rc6-+ -1.72/20 37.Ne5 Nxe5 38.Rxe5 Rfc8]
37.Bb2 -1.81/21
[37.Bf4∓ -1.26/18 might work better.]
37...Rfc8 -1.20/17
[37...Ra8-+ -1.81/21 38.Bc3 Rfb8]
38.Ne5? -2.82/22
[38.f3∓ -1.20/17]
38...f4-+ 39.f3? -4.96/23
[39.Nxc4 -2.43/20 was the only defense. Rxc4 40.g3]
39...Bf5 -2.61/18
[⌓39...Nxb2 -4.96/23 40.Rxb2 Bf5]
40.Kf2? -7.39/21
[40.Nxc4 -2.61/18 Rxc4 *(40...dxc4 41.Rc1∓)* 41.Kh1]
40...Nxb2 41.Rxb2 Rc2+ 42.Re2 Rbc8? -0.02/19
[42...f6-+ -7.29/20 43.Ng4 Bd3 Pin 44.Rexc2 bxc2 45.Rxc2 Bxc2]
43.g4? -62.13/21
[43.Rxb3= -0.02/19 f6 44.Nd3 Bxd3 45.Rxd3]
43...Rxb2

Remove Defender **44.Rxb2 Rc2+ 45.Rxc2 bxc2 46.Nd3 Bxd3**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.76/Black=0.43
0-1

42 **C02**
□ **Johanssc** **2823**
■ **Last7Samurai** **2780**
Blitz 16.03.2022
[Kitty Kat]

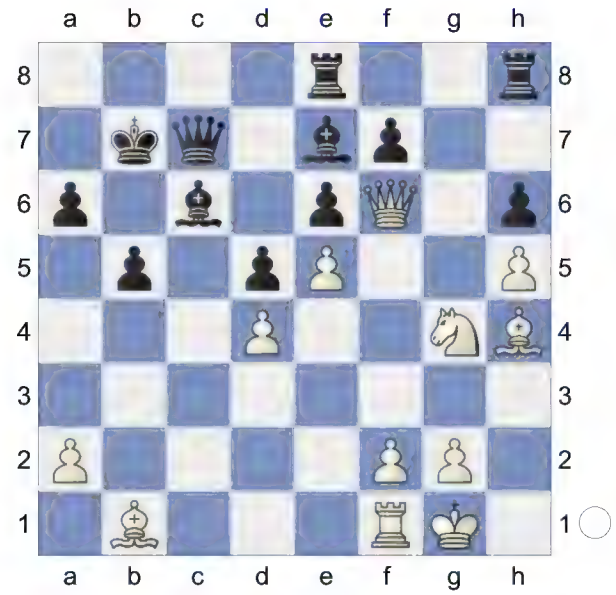
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.h5 h6**

11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Qc7 0.88/21
[12...Na5!= 0.02/21 remains equal.]
[12...Nf5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Nb3 Be7 15.Bf4 0-0 16.Qd2 Nh4 17.Nxh4 Bxh4 18.Nc5 Na5 19.Nxd7 Qxd7 20.Rb4 Be7 21.Bxh6 Bxb4 22.Bxg7 f5 23.exf6 Bxc3 24.Qh6 Qxg7 25.fxg7 Bxg7 26.Qh7+ Kf7 27.h6 1-0 Yoo,C (2603)-Masruri,R (2327) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (11)]
13.Nb3N 0.31/23
[13.Ba3± 0.88/21]
[13.Rb1 Na5 14.c4 dxc4 15.Bc2 Nd5 16.Ne4 b5 17.Be3 a6 18.Bd4 Nb7 19.Nfd2 Rd8 20.Qg4 Bc6 21.Rbd1 Nb4 22.Nd6+ Nxd6 23.exd6 Rxd6 24.Bb1 Qd7 25.Bc5 Rd5 26.Ne4 Nd3 27.Bxd3 Rxd3 ½-½ Nicolas,G (2085)-Zounani,Y (2125) FRA-ch op-A Albi 2022 (3)]
13...a6 0.76/22
[13...Na5± 0.31/23]
14.Bf4 0.16/20
[14.Rb1± 0.76/22]
14...Na5 15.Nbd4 -1.02/23
[15.Nxa5± 0.48/20 stays ahead. Qxa5 16.Qb1]
15...Nec6 -0.42/21
[15...Qxc3∓ -1.02/23 16.a4 Nec6]
16.Rb1 Bc5 0.00/20
[16...Nxd4∓ -0.55/21 17.cxd4 b5]
17.Be3 Black must now prevent Nd4xe6!
17...Be7
[17...Nxe5? 18.Nxe5 Qxe5 19.Nxe6 Bxe3 20.Rxe3+-]
18.Bf4 -0.70/20
[18.Nxc6= -0.19/22 Qxc6 19.Bd4]
18...Bc5 0.12/20
[Better is 18...Nxd4∓ -0.70/20 19.cxd4 Nc4]
19.Qe2 b5 20.Rbd1 Nc4 0.00/20
[20...Qa7∓ -0.46/21]
21.Bb1 -0.53/19
[21.Nxc6!= 0.00/20 Bxc6 *(21...Qxc6 22.Nd4=)* 22.Nd4]
21...Nxd4 0.25/22
[21...Na3∓ -0.53/19]
22.cxd4 -0.74/23
[22.Nxd4= 0.25/22 keeps the balance. Qb6 23.Qg4]



22...Bb4!∓ 23.Rf1 Qb6 24.Nh2 -1.01/22
[24.Nh4∓ -0.48/19]
24...Kd8 -0.65/19
[24...Bf8∓ -1.01/22 25.Qg4 b4]
25.Qg4∓ Bf8 26.Bg3 -0.92/21
[26.Nf3∓ -0.52/18]
26...Kc7∓ 27.Qf3 Be8 28.Ng4 Kb7 29.Bh4 -2.22/18
[29.Ne3∓ -1.05/17]
29...Bb4-+ Threatens to win with ...Nc4-d2. **30.Qg3** -2.66/19
[⌓30.Qf4 -1.95/19]
30...Qc7 -1.35/20
[30...Nd2-+ -2.66/19 31.Rxd2 Bxd2]
31.Ne3∓ Nd2 32.Qxg7 -1.36/21
[⌓32.Rc1 -0.97/21 Qxc1 33.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 34.Kh2]
32...Bc6 33.Qf6 -1.86/19 Wards off Nd2-

f3+
[33.a3∓ -1.46/20 was worth a try. Bc3 *(33...Bxa3? perishes. 34.Rxd2 Ka7 35.Ra2+-)* 34.Rxd2 Bxd2 35.Qf6]
33...Nxf1-+ 34.Rxf1 Rce8 -1.06/21
[34...Bc3-+ -1.88/18 35.Ng4 Bxd4]
35.Ng4? -3.87/20 Loses the game.
[35.Qf3∓ -1.06/21]
35...Be7

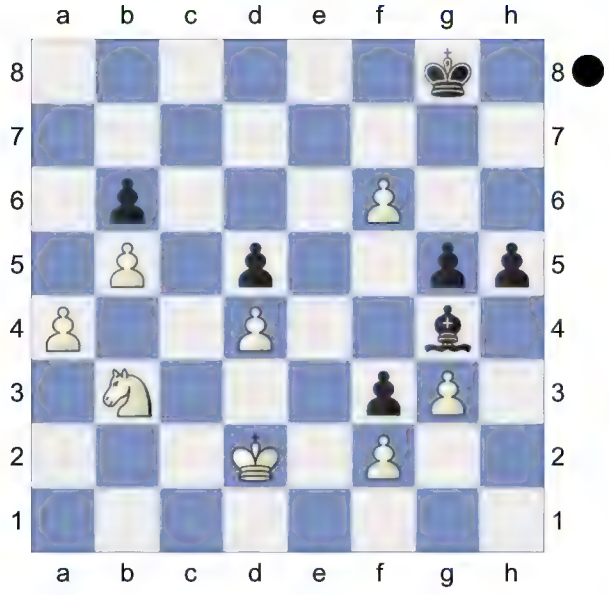


Skewer **36.Qxf7** Hoping for Ng4-f6.
36...Bxh4 37.Qf4 Rhf8 38.Qd2 Rg8 39.Nxh6 -5.07/20
[39.Bg6 -3.05/17 might work better.]
39...Bg5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.54/Black=0.32
0-1

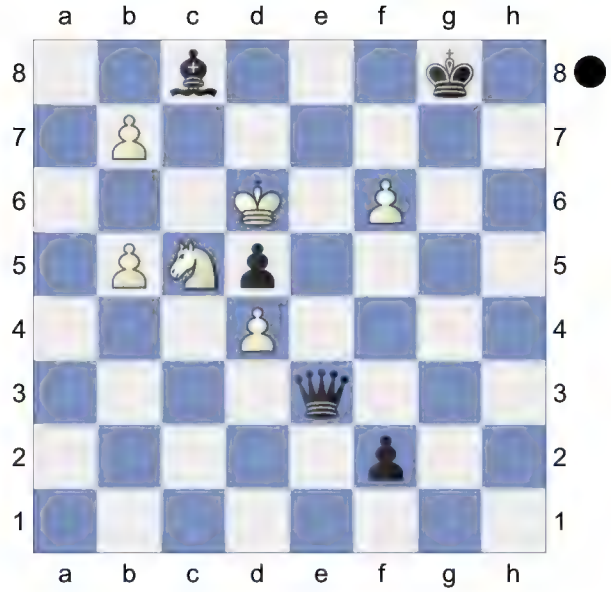
43 **C02**
□ **Molt7n** **2821**
■ **matikoza** **2744**
Blitz 06.08.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4**
The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.a3** -0.09/18
[10.Nbd2± 0.37/20 deserves consideration.]
10...Nf5 0.54/22
[10...a6= -0.09/18]
11.Bxf5± exf5 12.cxd4 h6 13.Nc3 Be6 14.b4 Be7 15.Ne2N
[15.Na4 Qb5 16.Bd2 b6 17.Rc1 *(17.Nc3)* 17...0-0 18.Nc3 Qd3 19.Re3 Qc4 20.Be1 Nb8 21.h5 f4 22.Ne2 fxe3 23.Rxc4 exf2+ 24.Bxf2 Rxc4 25.Nf4 Rfc8 26.Kh2 Rc1 27.Qd3 R1c3 28.Qb5 Bf8 29.Nh4 R3c6 1-0 Jones,G (2670)-Iskusnyh,S (2473) Titled Tuesday 13th Oct blitz 2020 (4) 30.Nxe6 fxe6 31.Ng6 Nd7 32.Qa6 Rc2 33.Qxa7 R2c7 34.Qa4 Kf7 35.Bh4 Kg8 36.Qd1 Rc2 37.Qg4 Kf7 38.Nf4 R8c6 39.Nxe6 1-0 Luehrig,W (2670)-Curr,P (2473) Hoogovens Wijk aan Zee 1998 (4)]
15...0-0 16.Rb1 a5 17.b5 Nb8! 18.a4 Rc4 19.Bd2 0.00/22
[19.Nd2± 0.61/19 Rcc8 20.Nb3]
19...Rfc8 20.h5 Nd7 21.Nf4 -0.39/21
[21.Qb3= 0.12/19]
21...Rc2 0.11/20
[21...Bg5∓ -0.39/21]
22.Rc1 Rxc1 23.Bxc1 Qc7 0.42/20
[23...Rc4= -0.14/20]
24.Bd2 b6 25.Qa1 Qb7 26.Rc1 Rc4 27.Qb2 -0.14/25
[Better is 27.Qa2± 0.77/21]
27...Qc7 0.30/24
[⌓27...Rxa4 -0.14/25 28.Nxe6 *(28.Rc6 Rc4∓)* 28...fxe6]
28.Rc3 Bb4? 2.19/22
[28...Rxc3= 0.15/21 and Black is okay. 29.Qxc3 Qxc3 30.Bxc3 Nf8]
29.Rxc4+- Qxc4 3.45/25
[⌓29...dxc4 2.37/22 30.Bc3 Nf8]
30.Bxb4 axb4 31.Nd2 Qc3 32.Qxc3

bxc3 Endgame. KBN-KNN **33.Nb3 Nf8 34.Kf1**
[34.Ne2 Nd7 35.Nxc3 f6 36.exf6 Bf7+-]
34...g5 35.hxg6
[35.Ne2 Nd7 36.Nxc3 f6 37.exf6 Kf7±]
35...fxg6 36.Ke2
[36.Ne2 c2 37.Ke1 *(37.Na1 g5±)* 37...Nd7±]
36...g5 37.Nh5 f4 Hoping for ...Be6-g4+. **38.Kd3 Nd7 39.Kxc3 Bg4 40.Nf6+ Nxf6 41.exf6** KB-KN **41...f3 42.g3 h5 43.Kd2??** -3.98/21
[43.a5 bxa5 44.Nxa5 *(44.b6 Bc8=)* 44...h4 45.gxh4 *(45.b6 Bc8=)* 45...gxh4=]
[43.Nd2+- 4.43/28 avoids the disaster.]



43...h4!-+ 44.gxh4 gxh4 White must now prevent ...h4-h3. **45.Ke1?** -14.07/25
[45.a5 -2.04/20 bxa5 46.Ke3 *(46.Nxa5? h3-+; 46.b6? Bc8-+)*]
45...h3 46.a5 h2 47.Kd2 h1Q 48.axb6 Bc8 49.Nc5 Qf1 ...Qf1-e2+ would now be deadly. **50.Ke3 Qe2+ 51.Kf4 Qxf2 52.Ke5 Qe3+ 53.Kd6 f2** Black mates. **54.b7**



Bxb7! 55.Nxb7
[55.f7+ Kxf7]
55...f1Q 56.Nc5 Qxf6+ 57.Kxd5 Qef3+ 58.Kc4 Qe3 59.b6 Qfxd4+ 60.Kb5 Qe2+ 61.Kc6 Qe8+ 62.Nd7 Qc5+ 63.Kxc5 Never resign too early! Weighted Error Value: White=1.05/ Black=0.34. Sensor Board Error (Ke4/ e5)?
1-0

44 **C02**
□ **GrigorGrigorov** **2820**
■ **jsl** **2868**
Blitz 23.02.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.a3** The position is equal.
[9.h4 a6 10.h5 g6 11.Nbd2 gxh5 12.Nb3 dxc3 13.bxc3 Ng6 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Nbd4 Bg7 16.Nxc6 Bxc6

17.Ba3 Bf8 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 19.Qd2 h6 20.Nd4 Ke7 21.f4 Rag8 22.Qf2 Kd7 23.Rb2 Ne7 1-0 Ganguly,S (2646)-Cheng,B (2476) Wch Rapid Almaty 2022 (9)]

9...Ng6 10.b4N

[10.h4 Be7 11.h5 Nh4 12.Nbd2 *(12.Nxd4 0-0 13.g3 Nxd4 14.cxd4 Qxd4 15.gxh4 Qxh4 16.Kg2 Bc6 17.f3 d4 18.Be4 Bxe4 19.Rxe4 Qxh5 20.Rxd4 Rad8* #2 18) Advance - 6.Bd3-8.Re1 Nge7 9.a3*)* 12...Nxf3+ 13.Nxf3 Rc8 14.Rb1 dxc3 15.bxc3 Qc7 16.a4 Na5 17.Re2 Nc4 18.Bf4 Na3 19.Rc1 Qa5 20.Qd2 Nc4 21.Bxc4 Rxc4 22.Bg5 h6 23.Bxe7 Kxe7 24.Nd4 Rhc8 ½-½ Elmi,S (2336)-Tangatov,N (1823) Wch U18 rapid 2023 (6) 25.Re3 Qxa4 26.Rb1 Qa3 27.Rb3 Rxd4 28.cxd4 Qc1+ 29.Qxc1 Rxc1+ 30.Kh2 Bc6 31.Rg3 Kf8 32.Ra3 a6 33.Rgd3 Rc2 34.Kg3 Ke7 35.f4 Kd8 36.Kf3 Bb5 37.Rdb3 Rd2 38.Rb4 Kc7 39.g4 Bc4 0-1 Elojele,K-Rogoff,K (2520) WchT U26 01 prel-3 1978 (3)]

10...Be7 Dodges h2-h4 **11.b5** -0.46/20

[11.Bb2!= -0.05/19]

11...Na5∓ 12.Nxd4 Rc8 -0.12/16

[12...0-0∓ -0.68/18]

13.Qh5 -1.44/21

[13.a4= -0.12/16 remains equal.]

13...Bc5? 0.19/20

[13...Rxc3!∓ -1.44/21 14.Nxc3 Qxd4 15.Bxg6 fxg6]

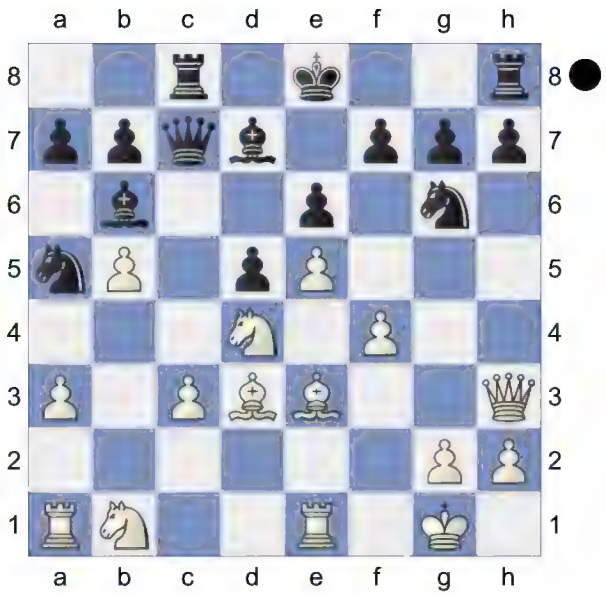
14.Be3!= Qc7 15.f4 -0.63/22

[White should play 15.Nd2= 0.21/18]

15...Bb6∓ 16.Qh3 -1.21/19

[White should try 16.g3∓ -0.46/20]

(Diagram)



16...Nb3!∓ 17.Ra2

[17.Nxb3? Nxf4 18.Qg3 Nxd3-+]

17...Nc5! 18.Bc2 Ne4 19.Bxe4 dxe4 20.a4 0-0 21.Qg3 f6 22.exf6 Rxf6 -0.10/19

[22...gxf6∓ -1.02/18 Strongly threatening ...Rf8-f7. 23.Rf2 f5]

23.Rf2? -1.92/20

[23.Nd2= -0.10/19 and White is okay.]

23...Rcf8 -0.64/19

[23...Ne7-+ -1.92/20 Hoping for ...Rc8-f8. 24.Nc2 Nf5 25.Bxb6 Qxb6]

24.Nd2∓ Qxc3 25.N4b3 Bd8 1.43/21

[25...Nxf4? 26.Rxf4 *(26.Nxe4 Qxe1+ 27.Rf1 Ne2+* Deflection, Double Attack *28.Kh1 Rxf1+; 26.Bxb6 Qxg3 27.hxg3 Nd3±)* 26...Rxf4 27.Bxb6 Qxg3 28.hxg3+-]

[25...Bxe3!∓ -0.84/19 keeps the pressure on. 26.Qxe3 Qxe3 27.Rxe3 e5 *(27...Nxf4 28.Nxe4 Rf5 29.Nbc5∓; 27...Rxf4 28.Rxf4 Nxf4 29.Rxe4=)*]

26.Rc1↑ Black is under strong pressure.

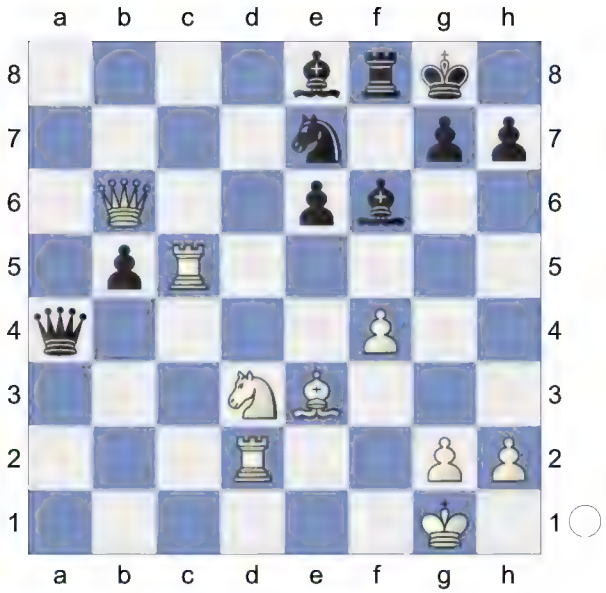
[26.Bxa7 Qc8 27.Rxe4 b6∓]

26...Qd3 2.85/21

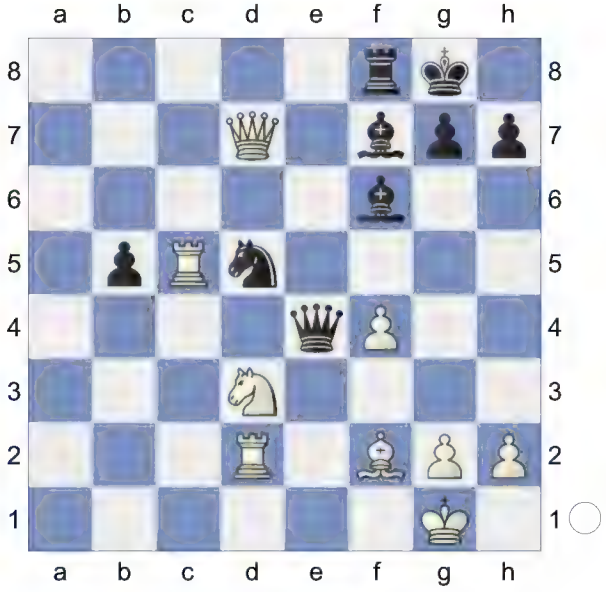
[26...Qb2± 1.41/20]

27.Nc5!+-
[27.Bxa7 Nxf4 28.Bc5 Ne2+ 29.Rxe2 Qxe2=]
27...Qd5 28.Ndxe4
[28.Ncxe4 R6f7 29.Rc5 *(29.Bxa7? Bh4-+ Skewer)* 29...Bh4 30.Rxd5 Bxg3 31.hxg3 exd5∓]
28...Be8 4.24/20
[28...Rxf4 2.97/18 was necessary. 29.Rxf4 *(29.Bxf4 Bh4+-)* 29...Nxf4 30.Bxf4 a6]
29.Nxf6+ Bxf6 30.Rd2 Deflection
30...Qf5 31.Nd3 2.05/15
[⌓31.Nxb7 3.62/17 And now Nb7-d6! would win. Qe4 32.Nc5]
31...a6 32.Rc5 Qe4 1.92/19
[32...e5± 1.47/18 might work better.]
33.Qf3 0.72/19
[33.bxa6+- 1.92/19 is more deadly. Threatens to win with a6-a7. bxa6 34.Rc1]
33...Qxa4 34.Qxb7 -0.21/17
[34.bxa6± 0.73/17 Qxa6 35.Qf2]
34...axb5 1.04/20
[34...Bd4!= -0.21/17 keeps the balance. 35.Qe4 *(35.Qxa6? Bxe3+ 36.Kh1 Qb3-+)* 35...Bxc5 36.Qxa4 Bxe3+ 37.Rf2 Bxf2+ *(37...Bxb5 38.Qe4±)* 38.Nxf2 axb5]
35.Qb6 -0.40/18 White has more active pieces.
[35.Kh1± 1.04/20]
35...Ne7? 1.59/21
[35...Bd4!∓ -0.40/18 36.Qxe6+ *(36.Bxd4 Qxd4+ 37.Rf2 Qxd3-+)* 36...Bf7]

(Diagram)



36.Qxe6+ 1.05/15
[White has to play 36.Ne5! 1.59/21]
36...Bf7± 37.Qd7 aiming for Nd3-f2!
37...Qe4 38.Bf2 Nd5 2.07/18
[38...Bd5± 0.93/18 39.Ne1 *(39.Qxb5? Qxg2#)* 39...b4]



39.g3? 0.00/20
[39.Qxb5?! Ne3 40.Ne1 Ng4±]
[39.Rxb5 Bd4=]
[39.Rc8!+- 2.07/18]
39...Qf3? 3.80/21
[39...Bc3= 0.00/20 40.Rc8 *(40.Rd1?*

Ne3-+) 40...Bxd2 41.Rxf8+ Kxf8]
40.Ne1
[40.Qxb5 Nc3 41.Ne1 Qa8 42.Rxc3 Bxc3=]
40...Qe4 41.Rcxd5 Bc3
[Don't blunder 41...Rd8? 42.Qxd8+ *(42.Rxb5 Rxd7 43.Rxd7 h6=)* 42...Qe8 43.Qxe8+ *(43.Qd6 b4+-)* 43...Bxe8 44.Nd3+-]
42.R5d4 Bxd4 43.Qxd4 Qb1 44.Rd1 Qg6 45.Qe5 Qg4 46.Bd4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.45/Black=0.55
1-0

45 **C02**
□ **sapphire_phoenix** **2816**
■ **Oganian,Miran** **2418**
Blitz 23.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7! 8.Re1 White has compensation.
8...Nge7 0.39/22
[8...Nh6= 0.02/21]
9.h4!± White is slightly better. **9...Nf5** 0.52/22
[9...h6= 0.16/22]
10.h5N -0.17/20
[10.Bxf5± 0.52/22 exf5 11.cxd4
A) 11...Be7 12.Nc3 Be6 13.h5 *(13.Bg5 Bb4 14.Rc1 h6 15.Bd2 Be7 16.Na4 Qb5 17.b4 a5 18.bxa5 Nxa5 19.Rb1 Qc6 20.Nb6 Ra6 21.Bxa5 Rxa5 22.a4 Bd8 23.Qd2 Bxb6 24.Rec1 Qxa4 25.Rxb6 0-0 26.Rxb7 Ra7 27.Rb4 Qa5* 1-0 (31) Azarov,S (2571)-Sanikidze,T (2426) EU-ch 8th Dresden 2007 (10)*)* 13...h6 14.a3 g5 15.hxg6 fxg6 16.b4 Qd8 17.Qd3 g5 18.Bd2 Qd7 19.Rac1 g4 20.Nh2 h5 21.Ne2 h4 22.Nf4 Rg8 23.Nf1 Kf7 24.Ne3 Raf8 25.Nexd5 Bg5 26.Nxe6 1-0 (28) Christiansen,J (2629)-Tregubov,P (2567) Titled Tue 16. Jan Early 2024 (11);
B) 11...Bb4 12.Nc3 Be6 13.a3 Bxc3 14.bxc3 Na5 15.a4 Rc8 16.Ba3 Rxc3 17.Rb1 Qc6 18.Bb4 b6 19.Ng5 Rc4 20.Bxa5 bxa5 21.Rb8+ Bc8 22.e6 f6 23.Nf7 0-0 24.e7 Re8 25.Qh5 g6 26.Qh6 1-0 (29) Andreikin,D (2729)-Sivakumar,S (2337) Titled Tue 23. May Late 2023 (1);
C) 11...Be6 12.Nc3 h6 13.Re3 Be7 14.Ne2 Qd8 15.h5 0-0 16.Ne1 23) French Defense: The 'Hect-French Hector Mbg Mainline]
10...Be7 0.58/21
[10...Nh6!= -0.17/20]
11.a3 -0.01/20
[11.Bxf5± 0.58/21 exf5 12.cxd4 *(12.Nxd4 0-0=)*]
11...0-0 0.63/24
[11...g6= -0.01/20]
12.Bxf5 exf5 13.cxd4 0.09/23
[13.h6± 0.66/23]
13...Be6 0.60/23
[13...h6= 0.09/23]
14.h6 g6 0.68/23
[14...g5= 0.23/24]
15.Nc3 Black must now prevent Bg5.
15...Rfc8 1.11/23
[15...Qd8!± 0.33/22]
16.Qd3± Na5 17.Rb1 0.70/20
[17.Bg5± 1.08/21 Bf8 18.b4]
17...Rc4 1.33/20
[17...Qd8± 0.70/20]
18.Ne2 0.60/20
[18.Bf4± 1.33/20]

18...Rac8 1.79/20
[18...Qb3± 0.60/20 19.Nc3 Rc7]
19.b3 1.25/20
[19.Bg5+- 1.79/20 Bf8 20.b4]
19...R4c7 20.b4 Nc4 21.Bg5 0.81/21
[⌓21.Ng5 1.60/21]
21...Bf8 22.Nf4 Qa6 1.46/24
Black is weak on the dark squares
[22...Qc6± 0.69/19]
23.Rb3 Nb6 1.82/24
[23...Qa4± 0.94/21 was worth a try.]
24.Qe3 0.64/22
[White should play 24.Qxa6+- 1.82/24 bxa6 25.Nd3]
24...Rc2 1.37/21
[24...Na4± 0.64/22]
25.Nd3? -0.91/23 A dynamic duo of knights.
[25.Nh5± 1.37/21 stays on course.]
25...Nc4 0.08/25 Black is more active.
[Black should try 25...R8c3!∓ -0.91/23 26.Reb1 Qc4 27.Rxc3 Rxc3]
26.Qf4= White wants to play Qh4.
26...b6
[26...Nxa3 27.Nc5 Bxc5 28.bxc5±]
27.Qh4 Qb7 2.56/20 Repels Be7
[27...Nxa3?! 28.Ra1 R8c3 29.Raxa3 Qxd3 30.Rxc3 Rxc3 31.Rxa7+-]
[27...Qa4!= 0.01/21 28.Rbb1 Nxa3]
28.Bf6? 0.30/20
[28.Nf4+- 2.56/20]
28...Nd2 1.73/19
[28...Ra2!= 0.30/20 and Black is okay.]
29.Nxd2+- Rxd2 30.Qf4? -0.01/20
[30.Bg5+- 1.85/20 Rdc2 31.Nf4]
30...Rcc2= 31.Re3? -3.77/21
[31.Qh4= 0.01/21]
31...Qc8 32.Qh4? -5.69/20
[32.Rb1 -2.30/20 is a better chance. Qc4 33.Qg3]
32...Qc4 33.Nf4? -8.43/20
[33.Bg7 -3.67/20 Qxb3 *(33...Bxg7 34.hxg7 Qxb3 35.Qd8+ Kxg7 36.Qf6+ Kf8 37.Qd8+ Kg7 38.Qf6+ Kf8 39.Qd8+ Kg7=)* 34.Ne1]
33...Rxf2 -4.05/20
[⌓33...Rxd4 -8.43/20 34.Bg5 Rc1+ 35.Kh2 Rdd1]
34.Qxf2 -7.85/20
[⌓34.Red3 -4.05/20 Rcd2 35.Qxf2 Rxf2 36.Kxf2 Bxh6 37.Nxe6 fxe6 *(37...Qc2+ 38.Kg3=)* 38.Rbc3 Qa2+ 39.Kg1]
34...Rxf2-+ 35.Kxf2 Qxd4? -0.48/19
[35...Bxh6-+ -7.42/21 36.g3 Bxf4 *(36...Qxd4? 37.Rbd3-+)* 37.gxf4 Qc2+ *(37...Qxd4? 38.Bg5-+)* 38.Kf1 Qd1+ 39.Kf2 Qd2+ *(39...Qxd4? 40.Bg5-+)* 40.Kg3 Qxd4]
36.Ne2 -5.80/20
[36.Bg5!∓ -0.48/19]
36...Qg4 -2.76/20
[⌓36...Qa1 -5.80/20 37.Rh3 d4]
37.Rbd3 Bxh6 38.Rg3 -6.42/22
[38.Rh3 -1.98/22 Bg5 39.Rdg3 Bxf6 40.Rxg4 fxg4 41.Re3]
38...Qe4 39.Rd4 Qb1 40.Rh4 Bg7 -6.88/18
[⌓40...Bd2 -33.10/20 41.Rc3 Qe1+ 42.Kf3 Bxc3 43.Nxc3 d4 *(43...Qxc3+? 44.Kf2-+)*]
41.Rgh3 h5 42.Rg3 Bxf6 43.exf6 Qb2 44.Rxh5 Qxf6 45.Rh1 Kf8 46.Rd3 Kg7 47.Rc1 f4 48.Rcd1 g5 49.Rd4 Bf5 50.Ng1 Be4 51.Nf3 Bxf3 52.gxf3 Endgame KQ-KRR **52...Qe5 53.R1d3** Inhibits Qe3+. **53...Qf5 54.Rd2?** -7.15/24
[54.Rxd5 -3.34/19 Qf6 55.Kg2]
54...Qh3 55.R4d3 Qh2+ 56.Ke1 Qh1+ 57.Ke2 Qg2+ 58.Kd1 Qg3 59.Kc2

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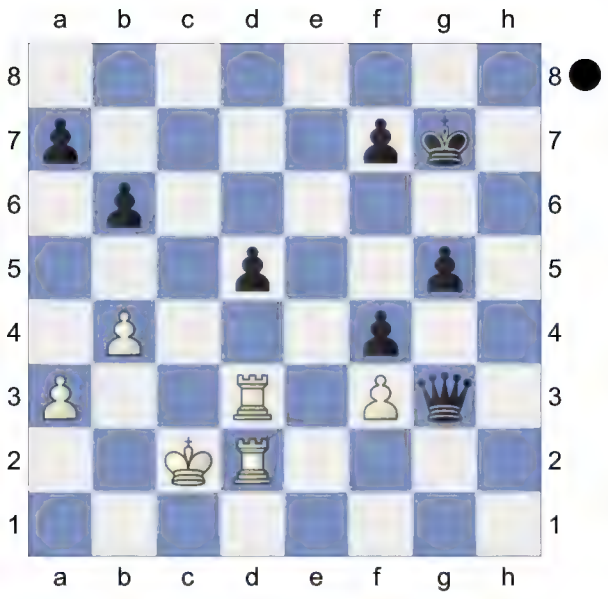
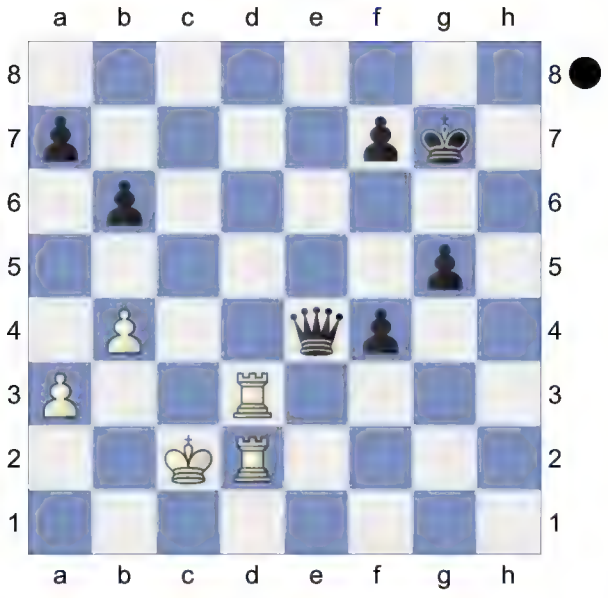
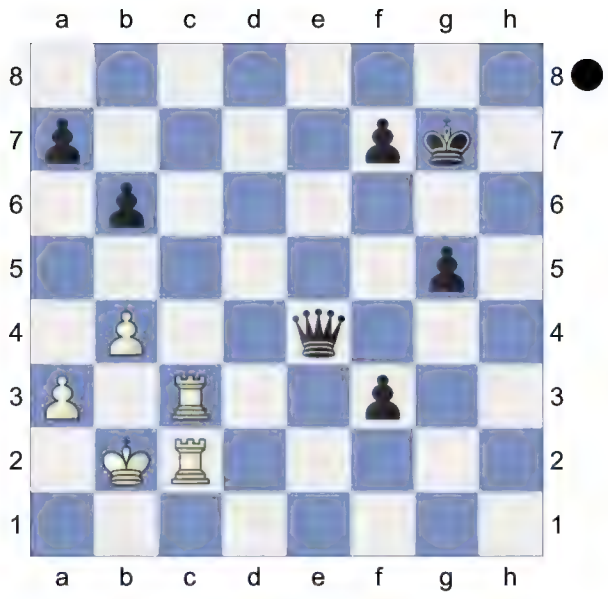


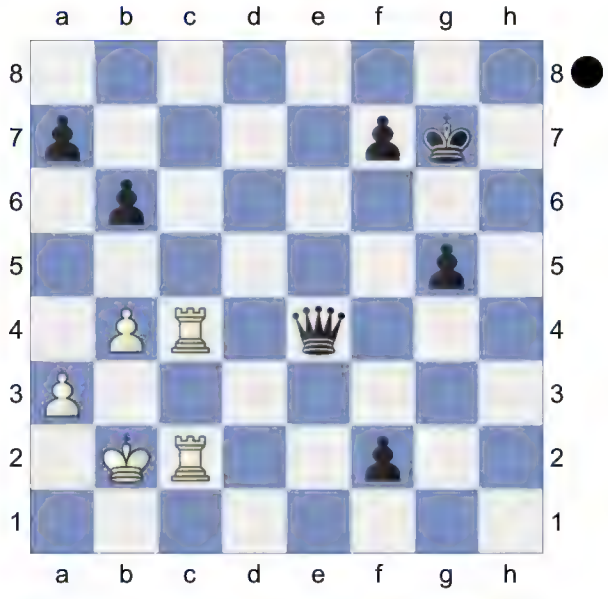
Qxf3?? 8.51/16 **60.Rxd5??** -13.24/18
[60.Rxf3+- 8.51/16 d4 61.Rxd4]
60...Qe4+ 61.R5d3



Qd4?? 8.97/16 **62.Rc3??** -11.99/17
[62.Rxd4+- 8.97/16 Kf6 63.Rd6+ Ke7 64.Rd7+ Ke6 65.R2d6+ *(65.Rxa7 f6+-)* 65...Ke5 66.Rh6 *(66.Rd5+ Kf6+-)*]
62...Qe4+? 0.01/21
[62...Qf6-+ -11.99/17 63.a4 f3]
63.Kb2? -17.76/24
[63.Rcd3= 0.01/21 f3 64.Rf2]
63...f3 Hoping for ...g4. **64.Rdc2**



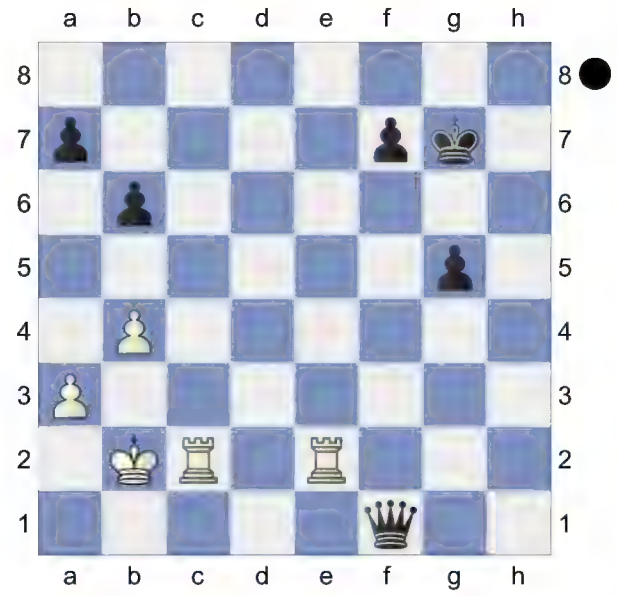
f2 -7.27/19 **65.Rc4**



Qe2 -5.62/17 **66.Re4 f1Q** -5.83/20
[66...f1R? loses. 67.Rcxe2 *(67.Rexe2 g4+-)* 67...Kg6 68.Re8+-]
[⌓66...Qd3 -#13/25 67.Rxf2 Qxe4 68.Rc2 g4 69.Rc3 Qe5 70.Kb3 g3 71.Rd3 g2 72.Rd1 Qe6+ 73.Kb2 Qe2+ 74.Kc1 b5 *(74...Qxd1+? 75.Kxd1 g1Q+ 76.Kd2-+)* 75.Rg1 Qe3+ 76.Kc2 Qxg1 77.Kd3 Qd1+ 78.Ke4 g1Q *(78...g1B* leads to mate. *79.Kf4 Qd3 80.a4 Bh2+ 81.Kg4 Kg6 82.axb5 Qg3#)* 79.Kf5

Qgg4+ 80.Ke5 f6#]

67.Rexe2



Weighted Error Value: White=1.47/ Black=1.15

67...Qxe2?? 7.28/25 Loss on time!?

0-1

46 **C02**

□ **Samarqand2021** **2813**

■ **Herushkanamura** **2903**

Blitz 25.09.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...a6 9.h4** -0.53/20

[9.Nbd2= 0.22/18]

9...h6 0.18/21

[9...dxc3∓ -0.53/20 10.bxc3 Bc5]

10.h5 -0.53/21

[10.Nbd2= 0.18/21]

10...Nge7 0.33/22

[10...dxc3∓ -0.53/21 11.bxc3 Bc5]

11.Nbd2± dxc3 12.bxc3 Qc7 13.c4

[13.Nb3 Nc8 14.Bf4 Na5 15.Nxa5 Qxa5 16.Qd2 Nb6 17.Rab1 Rc8 18.Qe2 Na4 19.Bd2 Qc7 20.Qe3 b5 21.Rbc1 Nb2 22.Nd4 Nxd3 23.Qxd3 Qc4 24.Qg3 Qxa2 25.Be3 Qc4 26.f4 Qd3 27.f5 Rxc3 0-1 Schmidt,M (2113)-Tiglon,B (2509) GRENKE Chess Open 2024 (1.41)]

13...Na5N

[13...Nb4 14.Bf1 dxc4 15.Nxc4 Ned5 16.Bb2 Bc5 17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Qd2 Qb6 19.Rab1 Qa7 20.Bd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qc5 22.a3 Nc6 23.Rxb7 Rd8 24.Nxc6 Bxc6 25.Rc1 Qxd6 26.exd6 Bxb7 27.Qb2 Ba8 28.Bxa6 1-0 Carlsen,M (2853)-Terry,R (2520) Titled 3th Jun Early 2023 (11)]

14.Ba3 -0.15/20

[White should try 14.cxd5± 0.49/20 Nxd5 15.Bb2]

14...dxc4 0.38/21

[Better is 14...Nxc4= -0.15/20 15.Bxc4 dxc4]

15.Ne4 -0.31/20

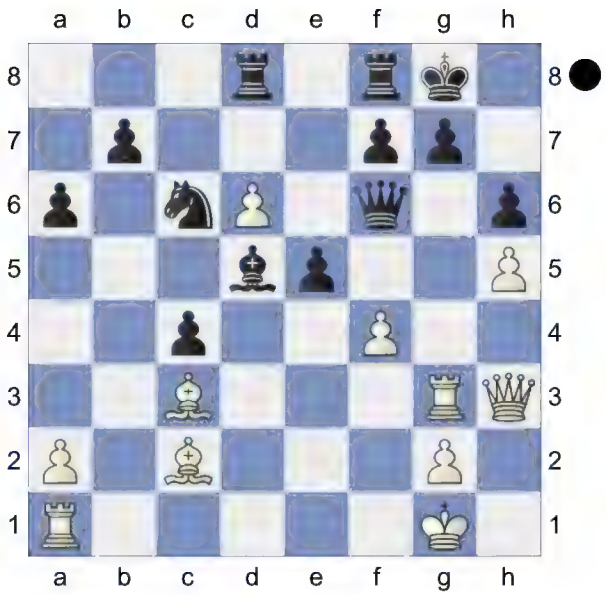
[White should play 15.Bd6!± 0.38/21 Qc6 16.Rc1]

15...Nd5 0.62/22

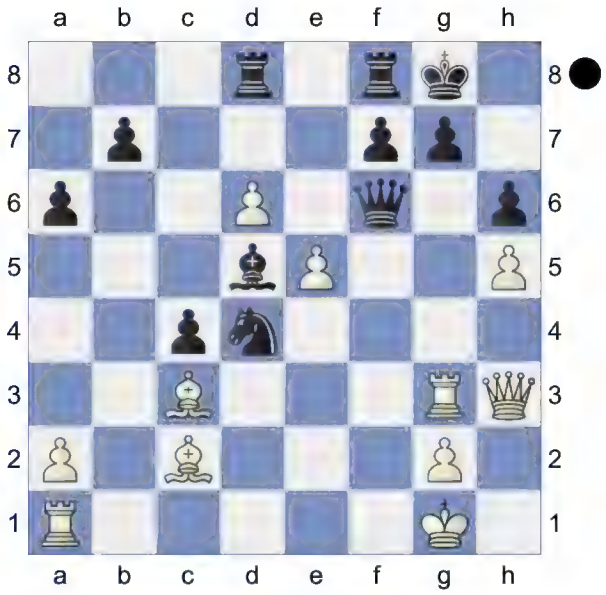
[15...Nf5∓ -0.31/20 16.Bxf8 Kxf8

(16...Rxf8 17.g4=)]
16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 -0.24/20
[17.Bxd6± 0.55/24 Qd8 18.Be4]
17...Qd8= 18.Be4
[18.Bf5 is interesting. 0-0 19.Ne5 Nc3 20.Qc1]
18...Nf6 19.Bb2 0-0 20.Ne5 -0.81/19
[20.Rc1∓ -0.42/18]
20...Bc6? 0.88/21
[20...Nxe4!∓ -0.81/19 stays on course. 21.Rxe4 Nc6 22.Nxc6 Bxc6]
21.Bc2 Re1-e3 would now be deadly.
21...Bd5 1.34/22
[21...Nd5!± 0.56/18]
22.Bc3? -0.40/20 A strong pair of Bishops.
[22.Re3!± 1.34/22]
22...Nc6∓ 23.Ng4? -2.43/19
[23.Re3!∓ -0.62/19]
23...Nxg4!-+
[23...Nxh5? 24.Nxh6+ gxh6 25.Qxh5+-]
24.Qxg4 Qg5
[24...Qxd6 25.Qxg7#]
25.Qh3 Rad8 26.Re3 Hoping for Re3-g3. **26...e5**
[26...Rxd6? 27.Rg3 f6 28.Rxg5 hxg5 29.Rd1+-]
27.Rg3 Qf6 ...Nc6-d4! is the strong threat. **28.f4?** -3.10/20

(Diagram)



This move loses the game for White.
28...Nd4!
[28...Qxf4? too greedy. 29.Rf1 Be6 30.Qh2+-]
[28...Rxd6? 29.fxe5 Nxe5 30.Rf1+-]
[Worse is 28...Qxd6 29.Qf5 Rfe8 *(29...Qc5+? 30.Kh2+-)* 30.Qh7+ Kf8 31.Rd1 *(31.Qxg7+ Ke7∓; 31.Rxg7 Ke7=)* 31...Qc5+ 32.Kh2=]
29.fxe5



Ne2+!
[29...Qxe5? perishes. 30.Re1+-]
30.Kh2 Qf4 Strongly threatening ...Bd5-

e6! Pin **31.Rf1** -7.60/20
[⌓31.Qg4 -4.02/19 Qxg4 Deflection *(31...Qxg3+? 32.Qxg3 Nxg3 33.Kxg3-+)* 32.Rxg4 Nxc3 33.Rg3]
31...Qxf1 Black is clearly winning.
32.Rxg7+ Kxg7 33.e6+ Nxc3 34.Qg3+ Kh8 (→ ...Nc3-e2) **35.Qxc3+ f6**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.81/ Black=0.68
0-1

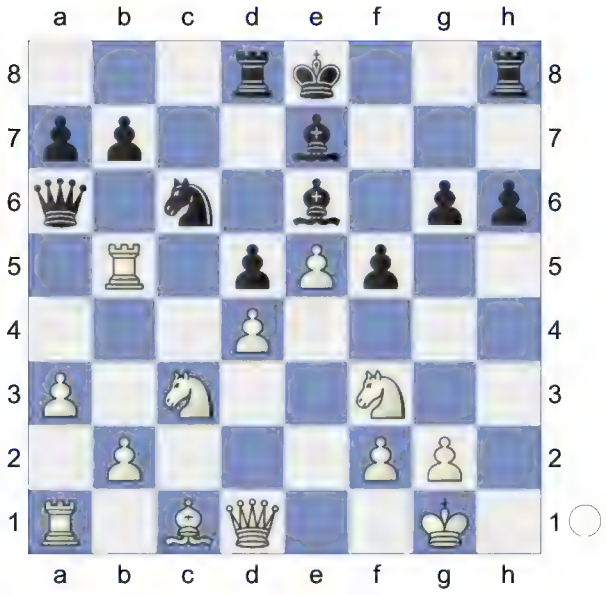
47 **C02**
□ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2813**
■ **Dominguez Perez,Leinier** **2713**
Amber-rapid 19th (9) 23.03.2010
[Karolyi,Tibor]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7
[7...dxc3 8.Nxc3]
8.Nbd2
[8.Re1]
8...Rc8
[8...dxc3!± 9.bxc3 Qc7 10.Re1 *(10.Qe2)* 10...Nge7 11.Nb3∞ Ng6 12.Qe2 Be7 13.Nbd4
A) 13...0-0 14.h4 *(14.Rb1)* 14...Ncxe5 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.Qxe5 Qxc3 17.Bxh7+ Kxh7 18.Nxe6 Qxe5 19.Nxf8+ Rxf8 20.Rxe5 Bf6± White has an edge, but Black may be able to hold thanks to the opposite coloured bishops. 21.Rh5+ Kg6 22.Rxd5 Be6= 23.Rg5+ Bxg5 24.Bxg5 b5;
B) 13...a6 14.Rb1 Rc8 *(14...Nxd4)* 15.h4= Bxh4 16.Nxh4 Nxh4 17.Ba3 Nxd4 18.cxd4 Bc6 19.Qg4 Ng6= 20.Re3!? Qd7 21.Rh3]
[8...Nge7 9.Nb3 dxc3 10.bxc3= Ng6 11.Qe2 Be7]
9.Nb3 dxc3 10.bxc3 Qc7
[10...Na5± 11.Rb1 Nxb3 12.Rxb3 Qc7± 13.Ng5]
11.Re1 Nge7
[11...Na5 12.Nxa5 Qxa5 13.Rb1+- b6 14.Bd2 Qa4 15.Qe2 Bc5 16.Ng5 Be7 17.Qh5 Nh6 18.Nxe6 Bxe6 19.Bxh6 Kf8]
12.h4 White soften Black's queenside.
[12.Qe2]
12...Ng6!? Dominguez plays a novelty. He wants to open the position with d5.
[12...Na5±
A) 13.Nxa5 Qxa5 14.Bd2± *(14.Rb1 b6)* 14...Qa4;
B) 13.Qe2!? Taking the pawn is also very promising. 13...Nc4 14.h5 h6]
13.Qe2 I wonder whether Magnus analysed this novelty in advance or already had to improvise. Regardless he plays a reasonable move. **13...Be7 14.h5 Ngxe5**
[14...Nh4 15.Nxh4 Bxh4 16.Qg4 *(16.h6)* 16...Nxe5 17.Rxe5± Bxf2+ 18.Kxf2 Qxe5 19.Bd2 *(19.Ba3 Rxc3 20.Qb4 Qf6+ 21.Ke2±)* 19...0-0]
15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Qxe5 Nxe5 17.Rxe5 Bf6?! Black doesn't mind living with the strong f5-knight. **18.Re3 Rxc3? 19.Rb1 d4**
[19...Rc7 20.h6 g6 21.Rf3± Be5 22.Ba3 b6 23.Re1 f6 24.g4 g5 25.Rxe5 fxe5± 26.Bd6 e4 27.Be5± exf3 28.Bxh8]
20.Rg3 0-0 21.Bb2 Rfc8 Finally Black decides to take action against the f5-knight, but Black soon loses too much material on the queenside.
[21...Rc7 22.Nxd4 e5 23.Nf5±]
22.Bxc3 dxc3 23.Rd1 Bc6 24.Bc2 Kf8 25.Re3 b6 26.Nd4+- Bd5 27.a4 g6 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Nb5 Rc4

30.Nxa7 Rb4 31.Nb5 Rb2 32.Rc1 Bg5 33.Nxc3 Bxe3 34.fxe3 Bc6 35.Be4 Bd7 36.Bd3 Bc6 37.Rc2 Rb4 38.Bb5 Bxb5 39.axb5 Rc4 40.Kf2 Ke7 41.Ke2 f5 42.Kd3 Rb4 43.Ra2 Kf6 44.Ra6 Rb2 45.Rxb6 Rxg2 46.Nd5+ Ke5 47.Nf4
1-0

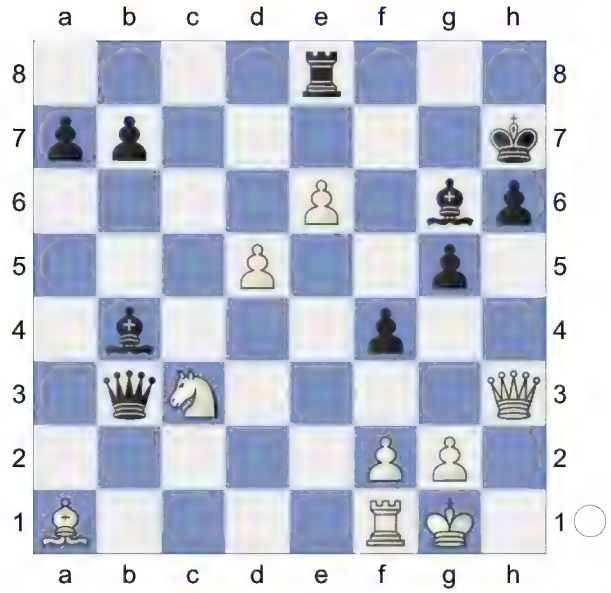
48 **C02**
□ **sapphire_phoenix** **2802**
■ **kill_mms** **2678**
Blitz 26.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0! Nh6 8.Re1 0.05/20
[8.cxd4± 0.43/19 feels stronger. Nf5 9.Bxf5 exf5 10.Nc3 Be6 11.Ne2 h6 12.Qa4 Be7 13.a3 0-0 14.b4 Rfc8 15.Bd2 a6 16.Rfc1 g5 17.Qb3 Na5 18.Qd3 Nc4 19.Ne1 f4 20.g3 fxg3 21.hxg3 Bg4 22.Nc3 Qe6 23.Be3 b5 24.Qf1 Ra7 25.Qg2 0-1 (35) Sojka (2325)-Norrelykke,S (2508) 27/41 Luzern 1979 (8)]
8...Nf5 9.Bxf5 White has an edge.
9...exf5 10.cxd4N
[10.Nxd4 Nxd4 11.cxd4 Be7 12.Nc3 Be6 13.Qa4+ Bd7 14.Qc2 Be6 15.Be3 0-0 &-& 9.♘c3 0-0 10.h3 (1985)-Chapter,V (1849) Wood Green vs 1996 (9)]
10...h6 11.h4 Be6 12.Re3 Be7 13.h5 g5 0.36/16
[13...Qd8= -0.10/18]
14.hxg6± fxg6 15.Rb3 Qa6 0.74/20
[15...Qc7= 0.20/20]
16.Nc3± Na5 1.33/21
[16...g5= 0.18/19]
17.Rb5 Nc6 1.75/19
[17...Rd8± 0.88/17]
18.a3 0.42/18
[18.a4+- 1.75/19]
18...Rd8 0.86/18
[18...g5± 0.42/18]



19.b4 -0.01/19
[19.a4!± 0.86/18]
19...g5= 20.Ne1 0-0 21.Nc2 -0.94/19
[21.f4= 0.09/18]
21...f4∓ 22.Qf3? -3.46/17
[White should try 22.a4∓ -0.63/17]
22...Bf5-+ 23.Rxd5 Bxc2? 0.01/20
[23...Qc4-+ -3.95/20 24.Rxd8 Bxd8]
24.b5= Qb6 25.bxc6 Qxc6 1.21/19
[25...bxc6= 0.01/19 remains equal. 26.Rxd8 Bxd8]
Black is now going downhill. **26.Rxd8** 0.36/20
[26.Bb2± 1.21/19]
26...Rxd8? 2.70/21
[26...Bxd8± 0.36/20 27.d5 Qc4]
27.d5+- Qc4 28.Bb2 1.25/19
[28.d6+- 2.75/20 Bf8 29.Bd2]
28...Bc5 4.28/18
[28...Qb3± 1.25/19]

29.Rc1 Qb3 5.71/18
[⌓29...Bg6 3.61/19 30.d6 b6]
30.Ba1 Bxa3 31.Re1 Bb4? 8.05/24
[31...Bg6 3.65/18 32.d6 Bc5]
32.e6 Bg6 Dodges Qh5 **33.Qh3 Kh7**
34.Rc1? 0.75/20
[34.e7+- 8.59/21 is the precise move to win. Re8 35.d6]
34...Ba3? 7.26/22
[34...Be7± 0.75/20]
35.Re1? -0.01/22
[35.Ne4+- 7.26/22 White wants to mate with Rc7+. Qxh3 36.Rc7+ Kg8 37.Nf6+ *(37.gxh3? is the wrong capture. Bxe4 38.Kh2 Bxd5-+)* 37...Kf8 38.gxh3]
35...Bb4!= 36.Rf1? -0.31/20
[36.e7+- 8.31/19 Rg8 37.Qd7]
36...Re8 7.61/20
[36...Qc4∓ -0.31/20]



37.Ne4!+- Discovered Attack. White is clearly winning. **37...Qxh3 38.Nf6+ Kg7 39.Nxe8+**
[Not 39.gxh3 Rc8+-]
39...Kf8 40.gxh3 Kxe8 41.Rc1 aiming for Bf6. **41...Bd6**
Weighted Error Value: White=1.06/Black=1.33
42.Bf6
1-0

49 **C02**
□ **JoaoReis080** **2800**
■ **Mischuk_D** **2639**
Rapid 12.02.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
Baumbach,F; Thormann,W: 'Inf 23/211'
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.Nc3 a6 11.Qe2 Rc8 12.Bd2N
[12.Kh1 Bc5 13.f4 *(13.Bg5 h6 14.Bd2 Ne7 15.Rac1 0-0 16.a3 Qh4 17.f4 f5 18.Nd1 Be8 19.Be1 Qh5 20.Qd2 Rc6 21.Nf2 Ba7 22.Be2 Qf7 23.Ra1 Bd7 24.Nd3 Rfc8 25.Bd1 R6c7 26.a4 d4 27.Bb3 Bc6* Model Games-Sulskis,S) 13...Nh6 14.h3 *(14.Bd2 Nf5 15.Rad1 Ne3 16.Bxe3 Qxe3 17.Qg4 Bf8 18.Nxd5 exd5 19.e6 Bxe6 20.f5 h5 21.Qa4+ Bd7 22.Qh4 Be7 23.f6 Bxf6 24.Qb4 Qe7 25.Rfe1 Be6* 0-1 Schaller,T (2071)-21.Qc4 (2618) 57/575 Katowice 1993 (10)) 14...0-0 15.Bd2 f6 16.Rf3 fxe5 17.Be3 Qb4 18.a3 Qb6 19.Bxc5 Rxc5 20.Qxe5 Nf5 21.Bxf5 Rxf5 22.Qd4 Qc7 23.Raf1 Rc4 24.Qa7 Rf8 25.f5 d4 26.fxe6 Rxf3 0-1 Bauer,C-Owca,K Match Wagner-Schoenmann +8-1=11 1928 27.Rxf3 Bxe6 28.Nd1 Qc8 29.b3 Rc5 30.Qb6 Bd5 31.Rg3 Qc7 32.Qxc7 Rxc7 33.Nf2 Rc3 34.Rg4 Rxb3 35.Rxd4 Bc6 36.Rd3 Rxd3 37.Nxd3 Kf7 38.Kg1 Ke6 39.Kf2 Kd5 40.Nf4+ Kc4 41.Ne6 Kb3

0-1 Moehring,G-Thormann,W 23/211 German Democratic Republic 1977]

12...Bc5 13.Kh1 Qh4 14.f4 Black is better. **14...Ne7** Prevents f4-f5. **15.Be1 Qh6 16.Bf2 Bxf2**

[16...Qxf4? is the wrong capture. 17.Bxc5 Qh4 18.Bd6+-]

17.Qxf2 g6 -0.37/25

[17...0-0∓ -0.91/19 18.Rac1 f6 19.exf6 Qxf6]

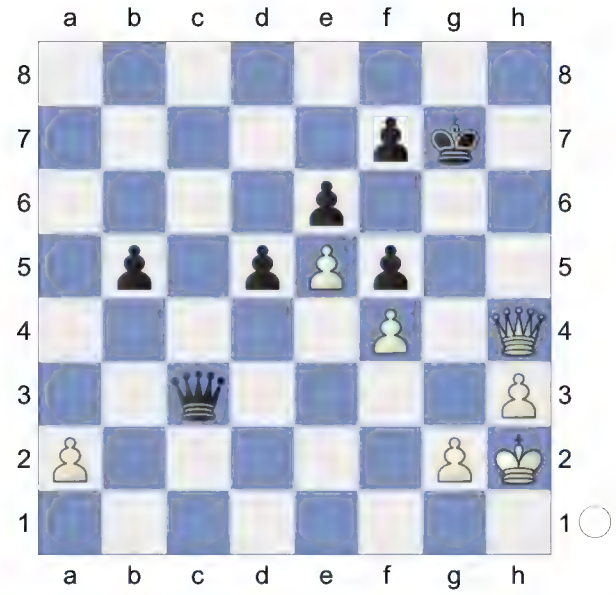
18.Qb6 Bc6 19.Qb4 Nf5 20.Bxf5 gxf5 21.Ne2 Qf8 0.00/24

[21...d4!∓ -0.59/25 22.Nxd4 Be4]

22.Qb6 Qe7 23.Rac1 0-0 24.Nd4 Repels Bc6-b5 **24...Bb5 25.Nxb5 axb5 26.Qxb5 Rc7 27.Rxc7 Qxc7=** Endgame. KQR-KQR **28.Qb3 Kh8 29.h3 Rc8 30.Kh2 h6 31.Rf3 Kh7 32.Rc3 Qd7 33.Qb4 Rxc3 34.bxc3** KQ-KQ **34...Kg7 35.Qc5 Qa4 36.Qf2 b5 37.Qh4 Qc4 38.Qf6+ Kg8 39.Qxh6 Qxc3?** 7.43/40 Black is on the road to losing.

[39...Qxa2= 0.00/28 40.Qg5+ Kh7]

40.Qg5++- Kh7 41.Qh4+ Kg7

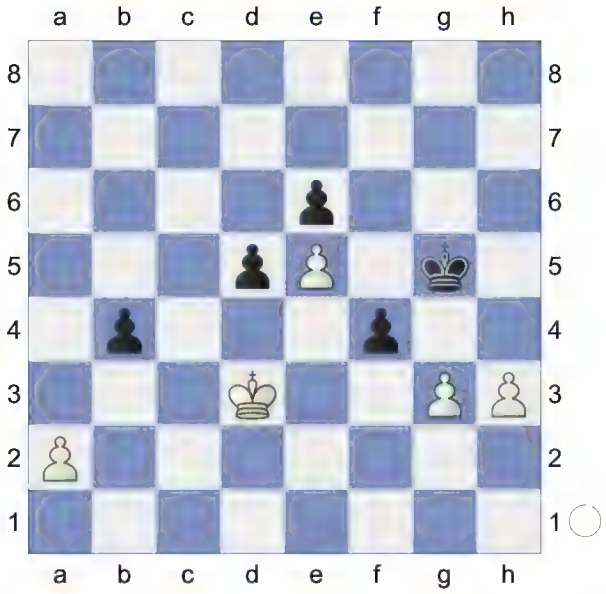


42.Qg3+! Qxg3+ 43.Kxg3 KP-KP **43...f6 44.Kf3 fxe5 45.fxe5 Kg6 46.Ke3 Kg5** aiming for ...f5-f4+. **47.g3 b4?** 5.47/23

[47...Kg6 3.19/29 48.Kd4 b4]

48.Kd3 f4 8.52/32

[⌓48...Kg6 4.74/26 49.Kd4 Kh5]



49.h4+! Kg4 50.gxf4 Kxf4 51.Kd4 Kg4 52.Kc5 Kxh4 53.Kxb4 Kg3 54.Kc3 Kf4 55.Kd4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.35

1-0

50 **C02**

□ **Punchen** **2799**

■ **Lifetimelearner01** **2763**

Blitz 14.12.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6 9.Nbd2 -0.35/24

[9.Qe2= 0.15/21]

9...dxc3∓ 10.bxc3 Ng4 11.Re2 Bc5 0.37/25

[11...Qc7∓ -0.53/24 12.Bb5 Ncxe5

Discovered Attack (*12...Ngxe5? 13.c4∓*) 13.Bxd7+ Nxd7]

12.Qe1± Na5N 0.77/26

[12...f6= 0.11/25 remains equal. 13.exf6 gxf6]

[12...0-0 13.Rb1 Bxf2+ 14.Rxf2 Qxf2+ 15.Qxf2 Nxf2 16.Kxf2 b6 17.Ba3 Rfe8 18.Bd6 Na5 19.Ba6 Bc6 20.Nd4 Bb7 21.Bb5 Rec8 22.Ne2 d4 23.c4 d3 24.Nf4 Bc6 25.Ba6 Bb7 26.Bb5 a6 27.Bd7 0-1 (41) Skrzyczek,T (1909)-Sieciechowicz,M (2383) Adolf Anderssen Mem 2022 (4.9)]

[12...Nxf2 13.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 14.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 15.Kxf2 f6 16.exf6 gxf6 17.Ba3 e5 18.c4 d4 19.Ne4 Kf7 20.Nh4 b6 21.Rf1 Kg7 22.Ke1 Rhf8 23.Bxf8+ Rxf8 24.Nd6 Ne7 25.Nhf5+ Nxf5 26.Nxf5+ Bxf5 27.Bxf5 1-0 (54) Borger,D (1829)-Abraham,M Hebraica op 29th 2022 (4)]

13.Rb1±

[13.h3?! Nxf2 14.Rxf2 Rc8=]

13...Bxf2+ 0.98/25

[13...Qc7± 0.55/25 feels stronger.]

14.Rxf2 Qxf2+ 15.Qxf2 Nxf2 16.Kxf2 Strongly threatening Nb3. **16...Rc8** Black is weak on the dark squares **17.Bb2** White has compensation.

17...0-0 18.Ke3 f6 1.01/22

[18...b6± 0.57/23]

19.Ba3 Rfe8 1.25/21

[⌓19...Rf7 0.84/23]

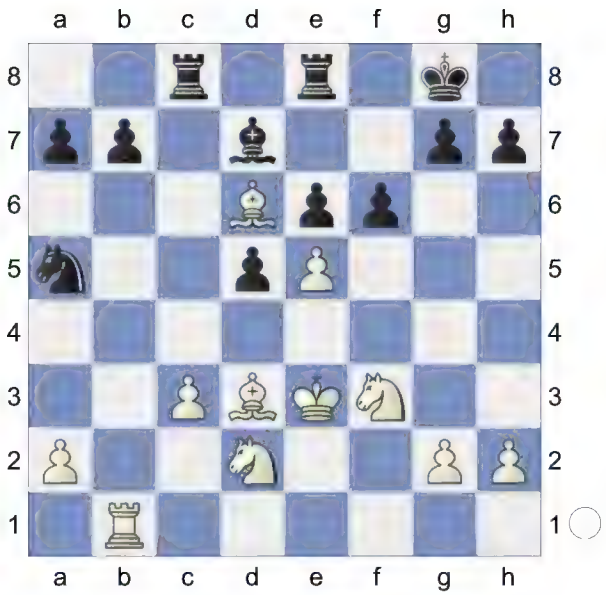
20.Bb4 0.29/24

[20.g4!± 1.25/21]

20...Nc6= 21.Bd6 This pair of bishops is nice. **21...Na5** 1.94/23

[21...Nd8!= 0.26/22 and Black is okay.]

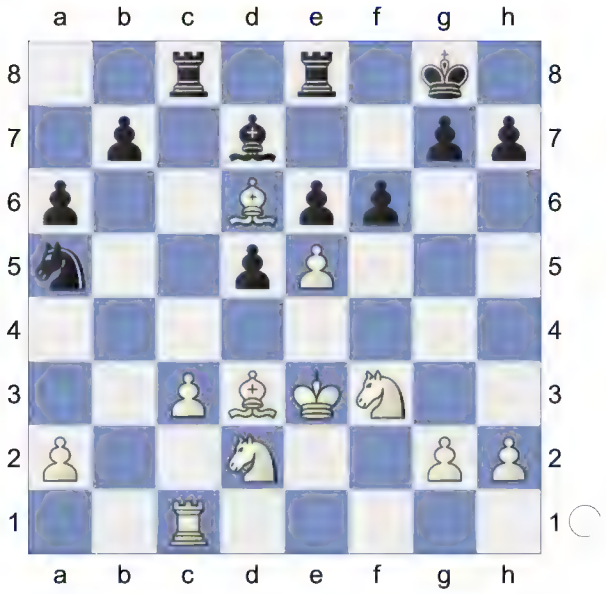
(Diagram)



22.Rc1 0.76/24

[22.g4!+- 1.94/23 and the rest is easy.]

22...a6±



23.c4? -0.53/25

[Better is 23.Rb1!± 1.01/24]

23...dxc4 Black converts the advantage convincingly. **24.Be4** -3.47/23

[24.Nxc4? b5 25.Nxa5 Rxc1-+]

[24.Be2= -0.23/23]

24...c3-+ 25.Nb3 Nc4+ 26.Kd4 fxe5+ 27.Bxe5 Red8 28.Bb1? -8.80/24

[28.Bxb7 -2.34/22 Bc6+ 29.Kxc4

Bxb7+ Discovered Attack (Check) 30.Nc5]
28...Bb5+ 29.Ke4 Bc6+ 30.Kf4 Rf8+ 31.Kg3 Bxf3 32.Bxc3 Bd5 33.Re1 Nd6 34.Bb4 Nf5+ 35.Kf4 Rc4+ 36.Ke5 Rxb4 37.g4 Ne7 38.Bd3 Nc6+ 39.Kd6 Bxb3 40.axb3 Rd4+ 41.Kc7 Rxd3 42.Kb6 Rd6 -23.12/25
[⌓42...Rxb3+ -#20/29 43.Kc7 Rf7+ 44.Kd6 Rd3+ 45.Kc5 Rd5+ 46.Kc4 Na5+ 47.Kc3 Rc7+ 48.Kb2 Rb5+ 49.Ka2 Rc2+ 50.Ka1 Nc4 *(50...Rxh2 51.Rd1 Nb3+ 52.Kb1 Ra5 53.Rd8+ Kf7 54.Rd7+ Kg6 55.Rd2 Rxd2 56.g5 Ra1#; 50...Nb3+ 51.Kb1 Rc4 52.Re3 Nc1+ 53.Rb3 Rxb3+ 54.Ka1 Ra4#)* 51.Rf1 Ra5+ *(51...Rxh2 52.Rg1 Ra5+ 53.Kb1 Rb2+ 54.Kc1 Ra1#)* 52.Kb1 Rb2+ 53.Kc1 Ra1#]
43.Kc7 Rdd8 -13.24/22
[⌓43...Rd5 -#13/21 44.Kxb7 Nd4 45.Rc1 Rb5+ *(45...Nxb3? 46.Rc2-+)* 46.Kc7 Rf7+ *(46...Rxb3? 47.Rc5-+; 46...Nxb3? 47.Rc6-+)* 47.Kc8 Rbb7 *(47...Rxb3? 48.Rc7-+)* 48.Rc5 Rbe7 *(48...Rxb3? 49.Rc7-+)* 49.Rd5 Back Rank exd5 50.Kd8 Ne6+ 51.Kc8 Rf8#]
44.Kb6 Rde8 45.Rd1 Ne5 46.b4 Nxg4 ...e5 would now be deadly. **47.Re1 Nf6 48.b5 axb5 49.Kxb5 e5 50.Kb6 e4** -30.84/20
[⌓50...Re6+ -#14/26 51.Kb5 Rc8 52.Rd1 Ne4 53.Rd3 Rc5+ 54.Ka4 Ra6+ 55.Kb4 Rb6+ 56.Ka4 Rc8 *(56...Nc3+* leads to mate. *57.Rxc3 Rxc3 58.h4 Rc4+ 59.Ka5 Rcb4 60.h5 R6b5#)* 57.Ka5 Rb2 58.Rb3 Back Rank Rxb3 59.Ka4 Nc5+ 60.Ka5 b6#]
51.Kb5 e3 -34.26/21
[⌓51...Re5+ -#14/23 52.Kb4 e3 53.Re2 Nd5+ 54.Kc5 Nc3+ Discovered Attack (Check) 55.Kd4 Nxe2+ 56.Kxe5 Nf4 57.Ke4 e2 58.Kd4 e1Q *(58...e1R 59.Kc5 Rc8+ 60.Kb6 Rb1+ 61.Ka7 Ng6 62.h4 Ne5 63.h5 Nc6#)* 59.Kc5 Qc3+ 60.Kb6 Nd5+ 61.Kxb7 Qc8+ 62.Ka7 Rf7#]
52.Kb6 e2 (-> ...Nd5+) **53.Kb5 Nh5** (-> ...Rf1) **54.Kc4 Nf4** (-> ...Ng2) **55.Kd4 Ng2 56.Kd3** Black mates. **56...Nxe1+ 57.Kd2 Nf3+ 58.Kc3 e1Q+ 59.Kc4 Qe4+ 60.Kb5 Qc6+ 61.Kb4 Re5 62.Kb3 Rb5+ 63.Ka3**
Weighted Error Value: White=1.18/ Black=0.66
63...Ra8#
0-1

51 **C02**
□ **cbev378** **2769**
■ **Lifetimelearner01** **2785**
Blitz 26.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6 9.Nbd2
[9.Ng5 Be7 10.h4 Nf5 11.Bxf5 exf5 12.e6 fxe6 13.Nxe6 Bxe6 14.Rxe6 0-0 15.h5 Bh4 16.Qe2 Kf7 17.g3 Bf6 18.c4 d3 19.Rxf6+ Kxf6 20.Qxd3 Qd4 21.Qf3 Qe4 22.Qd1 Rfe8 23.Be3 d4 0-1 (44) Bodnaruk,A (2333)-Zhurova,A (2279) RUS Cup tt (Women) 2024 (4.1)]
9...dxc3
[9...Be7 10.Nb3 dxc3 11.bxc3 0-0 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Bxh6 gxh6 14.Qd2 f5 15.Qxh6 Rf7 16.Nbd4 Nxd4

17.cxd4 Bf8 18.Qh5 b6 19.Rbc1 Qd8 20.Ng5 Rg7 21.h4 Be7 22.f4 Rc8 23.g4 Rxc1 24.Rxc1 1-0 (30) elconceto (2897)-ZhohoFF (2605) Blitz 2022]

10.bxc3 Ng4 11.Qe2N -2.01/22

[11.Re2!= -0.04/22 Bc5 12.Qe1 0-0 *(12...Nxf2 13.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 14.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 15.Kxf2 f6 16.exf6 gxf6 17.Ba3 e5 18.c4 d4 19.Ne4 Kf7 20.Nh4 b6 21.Rf1 Kg7 22.Ke1 Rhf8 23.Bxf8+ Rxf8 24.Nd6 Ne7 25.Nhf5+ Nxf5 26.Nxf5+ Bxf5 27.Bxf5* 1-0 (54) Borger,D (1829)-Abraham,M Hebraica op 29th 2022 (4) *)* 13.Rb1 Bxf2+ 14.Rxf2 Qxf2+ 15.Qxf2 Nxf2 16.Kxf2 b6 17.Ba3 Rfe8 18.Bd6 Na5 19.Ba6 Bc6 20.Nd4 Bb7 21.Bb5 Rec8 22.Ne2 d4 23.c4 d3 24.Nf4 Bc6 25.Ba6 Bb7 26.Bb5 0-1 (41) Skrzyczek,T (1909)-Sieciechowicz,M (2383) Adolf Anderssen Mem 2022 (4.9)]

11...Bc5? -0.33/20

[11...Nxf2!-+ -2.01/22 12.Rb1 *(12.Qxf2? Bc5-+* Pin *)* 12...Nh3+ *(12...Nxd3+ 13.Rxb6 Nxc1 14.Rxc1± ; 12...Nb4 13.Rxb4 Bxb4 14.Qxf2∓)* 13.Kh1 Nf4 14.Rxb6 Nxe2 15.Rxb7 Nxc3]

12.Rf1∓ Qc7! 13.Nb3 Bb6

[13...Ncxe5? 14.Nxe5 Qxe5 15.Qxg4+-]

14.Bf4 f6 15.c4 dxc4

[15...Ngxe5 16.c5 Ba5 *(16...Nxf3+? 17.Qxf3 e5 18.cxb6+-)* 17.Nxe5 fxe5 18.Qh5+ Kf8 19.Bg3∓]

16.Bxc4 0-0-0? 1.36/20

[16...fxe5 17.Bg3±]

[16...Ncxe5?! 17.Rac1=]

[16...Ngxe5∓ -0.43/21 stays ahead. 17.Rac1 0-0]

17.Rac1 0.19/20

[17.a4!± 1.36/20]

17...Kb8!=

[17...Ncxe5? 18.h3 Nxf2 19.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 20.Qxf2+-]

18.h3? -1.11/21

[18.a4!± 0.83/20 keeps the pressure on.]

18...Ngxe5 -0.52/20

[18...g5∓ -1.11/21 and ...h5! would now be decisive 19.hxg4 h5]

19.Nxe5 -1.46/21

[19.Kh1!∓ -0.52/20]

19...fxe5 0.01/20

[19...Nxe5∓ -1.46/21 20.Bd3 Qd6 *(20...Bc6 21.Be4=)*]

20.Bg3 Ka8 21.Bd3 Qd6! 22.Be4 Nd4 0.41/21

[22...Qa3!= -0.01/19]

23.Nxd4± Bxd4 24.Rfd1→ 0.17/21

White attacks. White is more active.

[24.Qf3!± 0.82/22 Rb8 25.Rfd1]

24...Bc6 8.07/26

[24...Rhf8= 0.17/21]

25.Rxc6+- Deflection

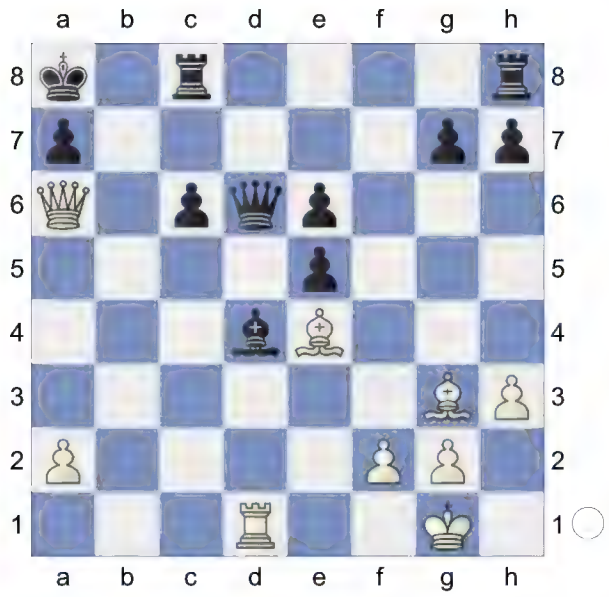
[25.Bxc6 bxc6 26.Rxd4 Qxd4=]

25...bxc6 10.47/23

[⌓25...Bxf2+ 4.62/17 26.Kxf2 Rhf8+ 27.Ke3 Qa3+ 28.Rd3 Rxd3+ 29.Qxd3 Qxd3+ 30.Kxd3 Rd8+ 31.Ke2 bxc6 32.Bxc6+ Kb8 33.Bxe5+ Kc8 34.Bxg7 Rd6]

26.Qa6 Rc8

(Diagram)



27.Rc1! Bb6 28.a4
[28.Qb5 Kb7±]
28...Qd4 29.Rc4 Qd1+ 30.Kh2 Qd7 31.a5 4.36/23
[31.Bxe5 Qb7 *(31...Bxf2 32.Rxc6)* 32.Qxb7+ Kxb7=]
[⌓31.Qb5 11.01/22]
31...Qb7 32.Qxb7+ Kxb7 33.axb6 axb6 34.Bxe5 b5? 6.00/21
[34...Rhf8 3.33/21 35.Bd4 *(35.Bxg7 Rxf2 36.Rb4 Ka6±)* 35...Rf4]
35.Rc5 Kb6 36.Bd4 Ka6 37.Bxg7 Rhd8 38.Be5
[38.Bxc6 Kb6 39.Rxb5+ Kxc6±]
[38.Bxh7 Rd7 39.Rg5 Rcc7=]
38...Kb6 39.Rc1 c5? 6.38/19
[39...Rd7 3.94/21 40.f4 c5]
40.Bf4? 0.06/22 This pair of bishops is nice.
[40.Bxh7+- 6.38/19 Rd2 41.Kg1]
40...c4? 5.17/19
[40...Rd4= 0.06/22 41.Re1 b4]
41.Be3+
[41.Bxh7 b4 42.Bg6 Kb5±]
41...Ka5 42.Ra1+
[42.Bxh7 b4±]
42...Kb4 43.Rb1+ 2.46/24
[⌓43.Bxh7 5.19/24 Rd7 44.Be4]
43...Ka5 44.Bb7? -0.01/23
[White should play 44.Bxh7+- 3.11/22 b4 45.Bc2]
44...Rb8? 2.00/24
[44...Rc7= -0.01/23 45.Ra1+ Kb4]
45.Bc6 g4 is the strong threat.
[And not 45.Be4 b4=]
45...Ka4

46.Bc5 -0.01/21 Prevents Rd6.
[46.Bf4!+- 2.30/21]
Weighted Error Value: White=1.16/ Black=1.00
46...Rd3? 2.33/24
[46...Rdc8= -0.01/21 and Black stays safe. 47.Ba7 Rxc6 48.Bxb8 c3]
1-0

52 **C02**
□ **ikica77** **2764**
■ **notkevich** **2736**
Blitz 24.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
C02: French: Advance Variation White uses the Milner-Barry to upset a higher-

rated opponent. **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.Nxd4! Qxd4 11.Nf3 Qa4** The position is equal. **12.Qxa4N** -1.17/18

[12.Bc2= 0.01/20 Qg4 13.h3]

[12.b3 Qa5

A) 13.Bd2 Qd8 14.Re1 *(14.Ng5 Nc6 15.Re1 Bb4 16.Qh5 g6* Teoria Cadvance Variation-Early Deviations Linares_192244 1991*)* 14...Nc6 15.a3 22) French Defense: The 'Smer-French Smerden Mbg Mainlines;

B) 13.b4 Qd8 14.Bg5 h6 15.Be3 Nc6 16.b5 Na5 17.Qe2 Be7 18.Rac1 0-0 19.Bb1 Duprey,M (2440)-Rukheva,N (2241) 58/(348) Russia 1993]

[12.Qe2 Nc6 13.b3 Qa5 14.a3 Be7 15.Bd2 Qb6 16.b4 0-0 17.h4 f6 18.Rae1 fxe5 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.Qxe5 Bf6 21.Qh5 g6 22.Bxg6 hxg6 23.Qxg6+ Bg7 24.Re3 e5 25.Qg5 Qf6 26.Qh5 Qf5 0-1 (28) jeromeovich (2584)-notkevich (2766) Blitz 2024]

12...Bxa4∓ 13.Be3 Bd7 -0.84/20

[⌓13...a6 -1.20/20 14.Rfc1 Nc6]

14.Rfc1 -1.44/18

[⌓14.Ng5 -0.84/20]

14...Nc6 15.a3 a5 -0.71/20

[⌓15...f6 -1.60/18 16.exf6 gxf6]

16.b4 axb4 -0.48/17

[16...f6!∓ -1.10/20 17.exf6 gxf6 *(17...axb4 18.axb4 Rxa1 19.Rxa1=)*]

17.axb4∓ Rxa1 18.Rxa1 Bxb4

[18...Nxb4? 19.Ra8++-]

19.Ra8+ Nd8 20.Bb6 -1.06/19

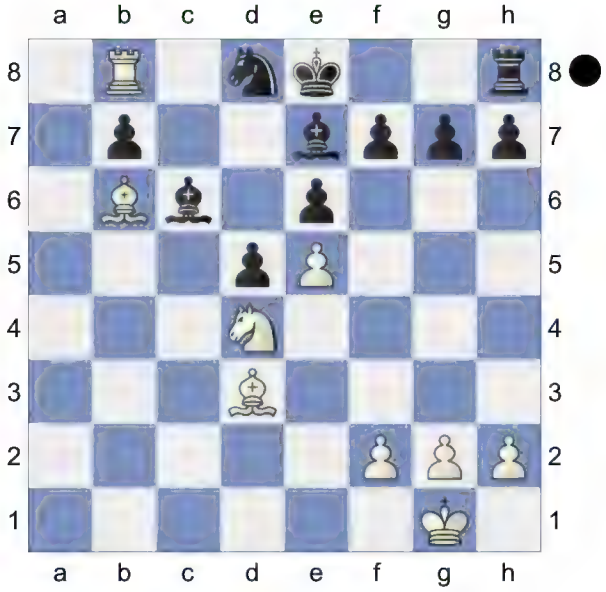
[20.Ng5!∓ -0.48/22]

20...Be7∓ 21.Rb8 Bc6 -0.38/21

[21...0-0∓ -1.12/20 22.Bxd8 Bxd8 *(22...Rxd8 23.Rxb7 Kf8 24.h4∓)* 23.Rxb7 Bc8]

22.Nd4 -0.84/19

[22.Rc8∓ -0.38/21 is more appropriate.]



22...0-0! 23.g3 g6 -0.42/23

[23...Ba4∓ -0.83/22]

24.h4 -0.92/20

[24.Bc2!∓ -0.42/23]

24...Kg7 -0.28/22

[24...Ba4∓ -0.92/20 White must now prevent ...Nc6. 25.f4 Bd1]

25.f4 h6 0.45/20

[25...Ba4∓ -0.56/18]

26.Kg2 -0.37/20

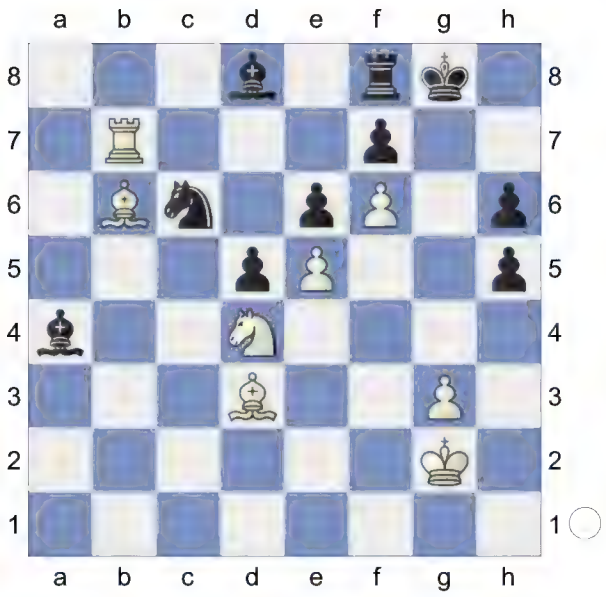
[26.h5!± 0.45/20]

26...Ba4 27.h5! Deflection **27...gxh5 28.f5 Nc6 29.f6+**

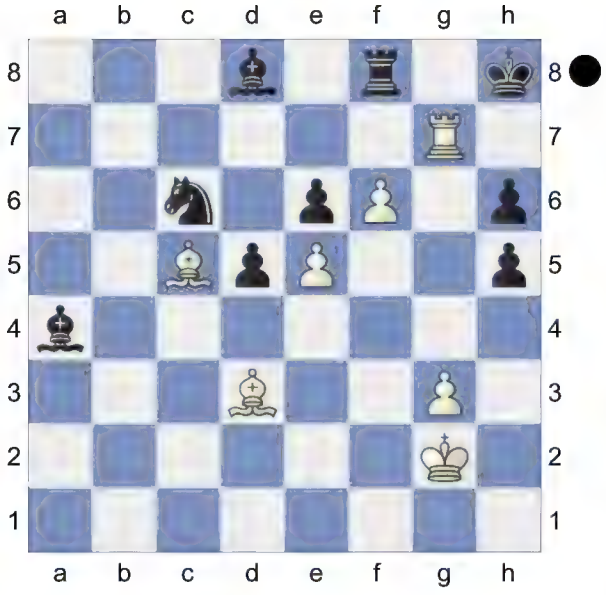
[29.Rxb7 Nxe5 30.Rxe7 Nxd3∓]

29...Kg8! 30.Rxb7 Bd8

(Diagram)



31.Nxe6! fxe6 32.Rg7+ Kh8 33.Bc5 -1.17/24
[33.Rh7+= 0.01/24 remains equal. Kg8 34.Rg7+ Kh8 35.Rh7+]



33...Nxe5 0.01/26
[33...Bxf6!∓ -1.17/24 34.Rh7+ Kg8 35.Bxf8 Nxe5 36.Rxh6 Bg5 37.Rxe6 Nxd3]
34.Bxf8 Bxf6 35.Ra7 Bc6 36.Bb1 d4+ 37.Kf1 Ng4 38.Bg6 e5 39.Bxh5 Ne3+ 1.07/22
[39...Bf3= 0.13/25 40.Bxg4 Bxg4]
40.Ke1 0.49/22
[40.Kf2± 1.07/22 Threatens to win with Ra6!. Bd5 41.Bxh6]
40...e4? 4.82/22
[40...Bd5± 0.49/22]
41.Bxh6? 0.99/23
[41.Ra6+- 4.82/22 and White stays clearly on top.]
41...Nc2+? 4.06/21
[41...Be5± 0.99/23 is a better chance.]
42.Kd1+- d3 43.Bg6 Nd4 6.98/25
[⌓43...e3 4.06/20 44.Bxd3 Nb4 45.Rh7+ Kg8]
44.Rf7 Ba4+ 45.Ke1 Nf3+ 46.Kf1 d2 Quite a comeback for White.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/ Black=0.93
47.Rf8#
1-0

53 **C02**
□ **Kramnik,Vladimir** **2753**
■ **Schmakel,Sam** **2457**
Titled Tue 5th Mar Early blitz (8) 5.3.24
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 a6**
[8...Nge7 9.h4 a6 10.h5 g6 11.Nbd2 gxh5 12.Nb3 dxc3 13.bxc3 Ng6 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Nbd4 Bg7 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Ba3 Bf8 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 19.Qd2 h6 20.Nd4 Ke7 21.f4 Rag8 22.Qf2 Kd7 23.Rb2 1-0 Ganguly,S (2646)-Cheng,B (2476) Wch Rapid Almaty 2022 (9)]
9.Nbd2 White has an edge.
[9.h4 dxc3 10.Nxc3 Bc5 11.Qe2 Nd4 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.h5 Ne7 14.Bd2 Nc6 15.Na4 Qa7 16.Bf4

Nb4 17.Nc3 Bxf2+ 18.Kh1 Bxe1 19.Rxe1 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Rc8 21.Qg3 g6 22.Bg5 h6 23.Bf6 Rg8 0-1 Trifonov,D (2163)-Sydykov,B (2221) Titled Tuesday intern op 07th Jan Early blitz 2025 (8)]

9...Nge7N

[9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Bc5

A) 11.Qe2 Na5 12.c4 dxc4 13.Bxc4 Nxc4 *(13...Ne7 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Bd3 Bc6 16.Ne4 Bxe4 17.Qxe4* #23 Theory 4C: 5... Qb6-Advance French 5...Qb6*)* 14.Nxc4 Qc7 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qxd6 17.Qe3 #24 Theory 4C: 5... Qb6-Advance French 5...Qb6;

B) 11.Re2 Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 Nxb3 14.axb3 Bc6 15.Ra2 Rc8 16.Qe2 Nh6 17.h3 Nf5 18.Bf4 0-0 19.Bh2 Qd7 20.Rd2 Qe7 21.Bf4 h6 22.g4 Nh4 23.Nd4 Bxd4 24.cxd4 0-1 Worch,S (1870)-Shepard,R (2045) olm ENG-BIH 1994 (4)]

10.Nb3 dxc3 11.bxc3 Ng6 12.Qe2 Rc8 13.h4 f6 1.14/19

[13...Be7± 0.64/20]

14.exf6± gxf6 15.c4 0.60/20

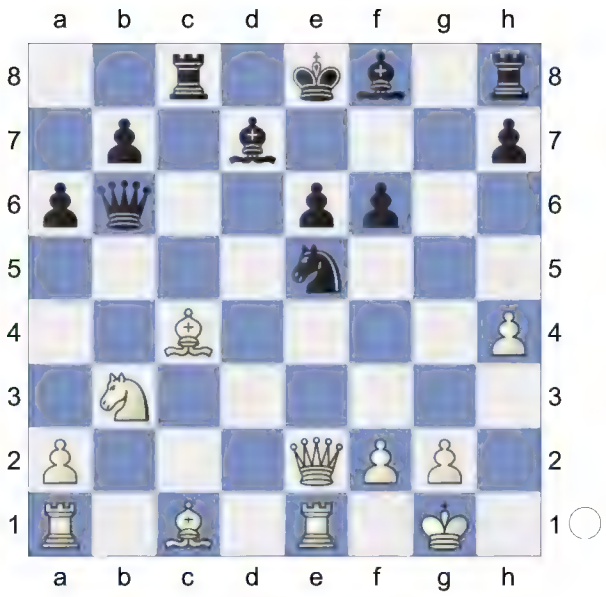
[15.Nbd4± 1.24/21 e5 16.Nxc6 Rxc6 *(16...Qxc6 17.Bxg6+* Remove Defender *hxg6 18.Nxe5±)* 17.c4 dxc4 18.Be4 *(18.Bxc4 Bb4±)*]

15...dxc4 0.96/16

[15...Nb4± 0.60/20 might be stronger. 16.Be3 Qd8 17.cxd5 Nxd5]

16.Bxc4 Nce5 17.Nxe5 Nxe5

(Diagram)



18.Bb2? -1.39/19 **Bd6?** 0.83/20

[18...Rxc4? 19.Bxe5 Qb5 20.Bxf6+-]

[18...Nxc4∓ -1.39/19 19.Bxf6 Rg8 20.Qh5+ Rg6]

19.Qh5+ Ke7 20.Bxe5 0.15/19

[20.Rxe5!± 1.14/21 fxe5 *(20...Bxe5 21.Bxe5 Rxc4 22.Rd1±)* 21.Qg5+ Ke8 22.Be2]

20...Bxe5= 21.Rxe5 Rxc4

[21...fxe5? 22.Qg5+ Kf7 23.Be2+- *(23.Qxe5 Rhf8=)*]

22.Rc5 0.03/25

[22.Rd1± 0.41/21 deserves consideration. Be8 *(22...fxe5?* loses. *23.Qg5+ Ke8 24.Qg7+-)* 23.Qh6]

22...Rxc5

[22...Be8!? 23.Qh6□ Rg4=]

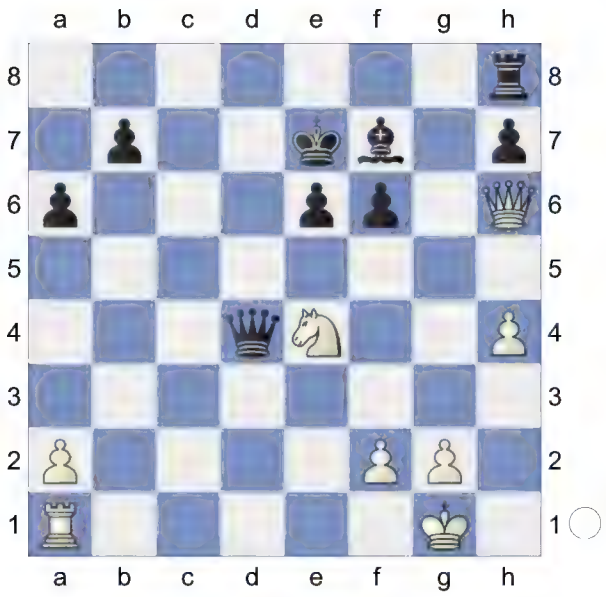
23.Nxc5 Be8! 24.Qh6 White has compensation. **24...Bf7?** 2.27/20

[24...Qxc5? perishes. 25.Qg7+ Bf7 26.Qxh8+-]

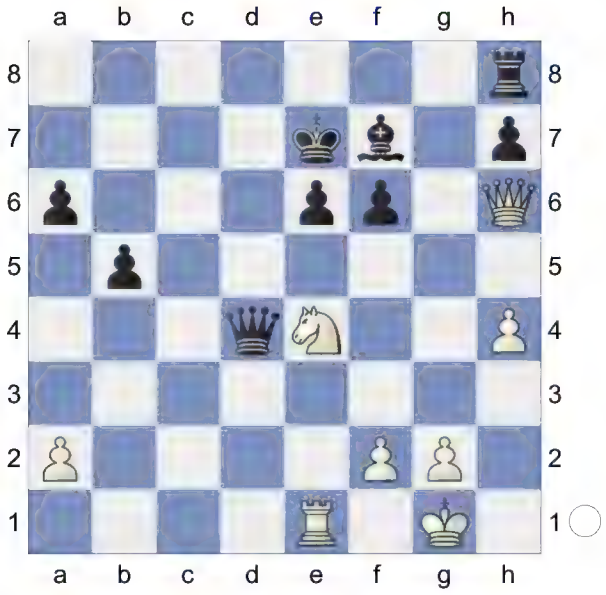
[Black should try 24...Rf8!± 0.46/21 25.Qxh7+ Rf7]

25.Ne4!+- Qd4

(Diagram)



26.Re1 0.00/19
[26.Rc1!+- 2.20/20 Qxe4 27.Rc7+ Skewer, Deflection Kd8 28.Rxf7]
26...b5? 1.94/19
[26...Rg8= 0.00/19]



27.Qc1? 0.03/19
[27.Rc1!+- 1.94/19 Qxe4 28.Rc7+ Kd6 29.Qc1 *(29.Rxf7 Qe1+ 30.Kh2 Qxf2±)*]
27...Rd8= 28.Qa3+ b4⇄ Black puts up resistance **29.Qxa6 Kf8 30.Qa5 Kg7 31.Ng3**
[31.Qc7 with more complications. Rd5 32.Re3 Qe5 33.Rg3+]
31...Rd5 32.Qc7 Rc5 33.Qe7 Re5 Against Ng3-e4 **34.Rxe5 Qxe5 35.Qxb4** Strongly threatening a2-a4. **35...Qe1+?** 10.84/20 **36.Qxe1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/ Black=0.34
1-0

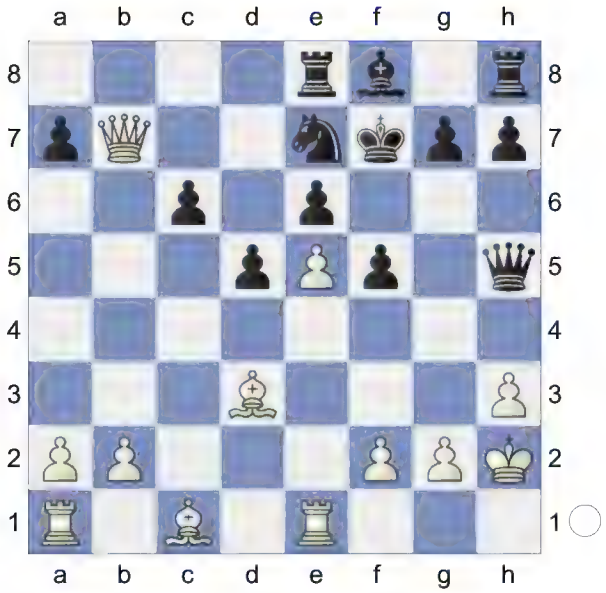
54 **C02**
□ **Hantel,Thomas** **2753**
■ **Shkurovich Khazin,B** **2256**
Staunton Memorial 7th (5) 16.05.2023
[John Watson]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.a3 Nge7 9.b4 a6 10.Bb2 dxc3
[10...Nf5 11.Nbd2 Be7 12.c4 0-0 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.cxd5 Na7 15.Nc4 Qh6 16.Qxd4 Bb5]
11.Nxc3 Ng6 12.Na4 Qd8 13.Rc1 Be7 14.Nc5 Bxc5 15.Rxc5 0-0 16.Qd2 Rc8 17.Re1 Nce7 18.Rxc8 Qxc8 19.h4 Nf5 20.Bxf5 exf5 21.h5 Ne7 22.e6 Bxe6 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Qg5+ Kh8 25.Qf6+ Kg8 26.h6
1-0

55 **C02**
□ **Ignathor** **2745**
■ **nickVet** **2704**
Blitz 10.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.cxd4 Nxd4 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.Nxd4!

Qxd4 11.Nf3 Qg4 The position is equal.
[11...Qb4 12.a3 Qa5 13.b4 Qd8 14.h4 h6 15.h5 Nc6 16.Bf4 Be7 17.Qd2 Rc8 18.Rfc1 a6 19.Qe3 Qc7 20.Rc2 Qb8 21.Rac1 Na7 22.Rxc8+ Bxc8 23.Nd4 Bd7 24.Qg3 Kf8 25.Qe3 Nc6 26.Nxc6 0-1 (52) Durarbayli,V (2635)-Ju,W (2555) PRO League Prelim rapid 2023 (4.4)]
[11...Qb6 12.Be3 Qd8 13.Ng5 h6 14.Nh7 Nc6 15.Nxf8 Kxf8 16.f4 g6 17.g4 Qh4 18.Qf3 h5 19.g5 Qg4+ 20.Qxg4 hxg4 21.Be2 Rh3 22.Bf2 Kg7 23.Bxg4 Rd3 24.Rad1 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Ne7 26.Bc5 ½-½ (34) Finegold,B (2400)-Lorenzo De la Riva, L (2415) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (7)]
12.h3 White has compensation.
12...Qh5 2.11/22
[12...Qa4= 0.12/20]
13.Kh2N -0.01/19
[13.g4+- 2.11/22 Qxh3 14.Ng5 Qh4 15.Kg2 Rc8 16.Nxf7 Kxf7 17.Rh1 22) French Defense: The 'Smer-French Smerden Mbg Mainlines]
13...f6= 14.Re1 -0.62/19
[14.Bf4= 0.01/18]
14...f5 0.79/21
[14...Nc6!∓ -0.62/19 keeps the upper hand. 15.Be2 Qf7 *(15...fxe5 16.Ng5±; 15...Nxe5 16.Bf4=)* 16.exf6 Bd6+ *(16...gxf6 17.Ng5±; 16...Qxf6 17.Kg1∓)* 17.Kh1 Qxf6]
15.Qb3 0.01/20 White is more active.
[15.b4!± 0.79/21]
15...Bc6? 2.80/19
[15...Nc6!= 0.01/20]
16.Nd4 1.64/20
[⌓16.Bd2 2.80/19]
16...Kf7 2.41/19
[16...Qf7 1.64/20 17.Bd2 Ng6]
17.Nxc6 1.07/20
[17.Be2!+- 2.41/19 Qg6 18.Nxc6 bxc6 19.Qb7]
17...bxc6± 18.Qb7↑ Keeping Black busy. **18...Re8** 2.82/20
[18...Rc8± 1.08/19]



19.Be3!+- Rac1! is the strong threat.
[Less strong is 19.Qxa7 g5±]
19...a5 3.33/19
[19...g5 2.24/18 was called for. 20.Rac1 *(20.Bxa7 g4±)* 20...f4]
20.Rac1 g6? 8.21/21
[20...Kg8 2.84/20 21.a4 Qf7]
21.Rxc6 Bh6 22.Bc5 Bf4+ 23.g3 Bd2

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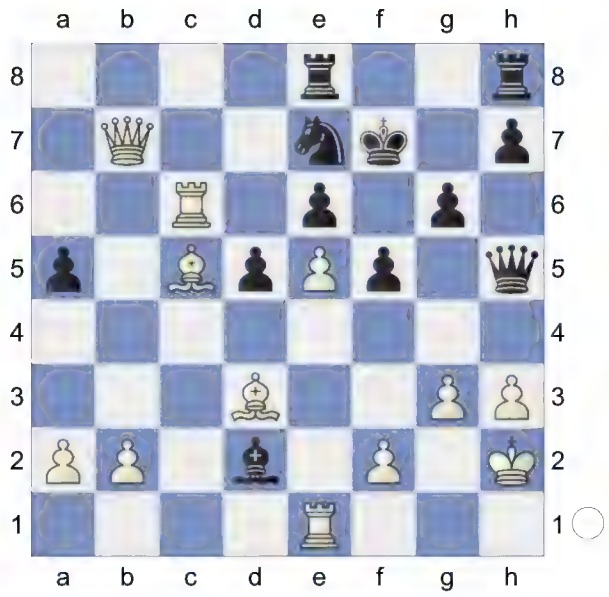


24.Rc7 8.77/21 **Qg5 25.h4 Rb8 26.hxg5** 13.88/34
[⌓26.Rxe7+ #17/26 Qxe7 27.Qxe7+ Kg8 28.Bxf5 *(28.Qxe6+ Kg7+-)* 28...gxf5 29.Qxe6+ Kg7 30.Qf6+ Kg8 31.e6 Bxe1 32.Qg5#]
26...Rxb7 White is clearly winning.
27.Rxb7 Bxe1 28.Rxe7+ Kg8
Weighted Error Value: White=0.71/ Black=2.02
29.Bb5
1-0

56 **C02**
□ **Chariteawithambition** **2738**
■ **ViennaDragon** **2578**
Blitz 02.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Nh6 0.55/18
[7...Bd7= -0.01/18 8.Re1 Nh6 9.Qe2 Be7 10.a3 Nf5 11.b4 Rc8 12.Bb2 0-0 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.cxd4 Be6 15.Rd1 g5 16.Nc3 Qd8 17.Rac1 f4 18.h3 Qd7 19.Nh2 Bf5 20.Qf3 Rcd8 21.Ng4 Qe6 22.Nxd5 Rxd5 1-0 (38) Czopor,M (2415)-Roberson,P (2429) London Mindsports GM 2022 (8)]
8.h3 0.11/17
[8.cxd4± 0.55/18 Bd7 9.Bc2]
8...Nf5N
[8...Bd7 9.Re1 Nf5 10.Nbd2 Be7 11.Nb3 dxc3 12.bxc3 a5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Bxf5 exf5 15.Nbd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 0-0 17.e6 fxe6 18.Nxe6 Bxe6 19.Rxe6 Rad8 20.Qe2 Bc5 21.Bg5 Rd7 22.Qf3 b6 23.Bf4 1-0 (30) Pinheiro,I (2306)-Ramadoss, A (2110) Titled Tuesday intern op 18th Apr Late blitz 2023 (1) Qd8 24.Rbe1 d4 25.cxd4 Rxd4 26.Be5 Rd2 27.Re2 Rd1+ 28.Kh2 Qd5 29.Qg3 g6 30.Rxg6+ 1-0 Ranniku (2306)-Safyanovsky,M (2110) (ol) 50/217 Novi Sad 1990 (1)]
9.Bxf5 The position is equal. **9...exf5 10.cxd4 Be6 11.Nc3 h6! 12.h4 Be7 13.Ne2 Rc8 14.a3 Qd8** 0.48/21
[14...0-0= -0.01/20]
15.h5!± 0-0 16.Nf4 0.01/19
[16.Qd3± 0.44/18]
16...Qd7 0.54/21
[16...Bg5= 0.01/19]
17.Be3 Na5 18.Ne1 Nc4 0.51/22
[18...Qb5= 0.10/20]
19.Ned3 Rc7 20.Bc1 Rfc8 21.Qf3 0.10/21
[21.Re1± 0.46/20]
21...Na5= 22.Be3 -0.01/20
[22.Qg3± 0.37/23 is more appropriate.]
22...Nc4 23.Nxe6 fxe6 24.Bf4 Qe8 25.Rad1 a5 26.Bc1 Bg5 27.g3? -4.70/20
[27.b3= 0.01/21 and White has

nothing to worry. Nb6 28.Bxg5 hxg5 29.g4]

27...b6?? 2.87/21

[27...Bxc1-+ -4.70/20 and life is good for Black. 28.Nxc1 Nxb2]

28.Qe2 -0.52/21

[28.b3+- 2.87/21]

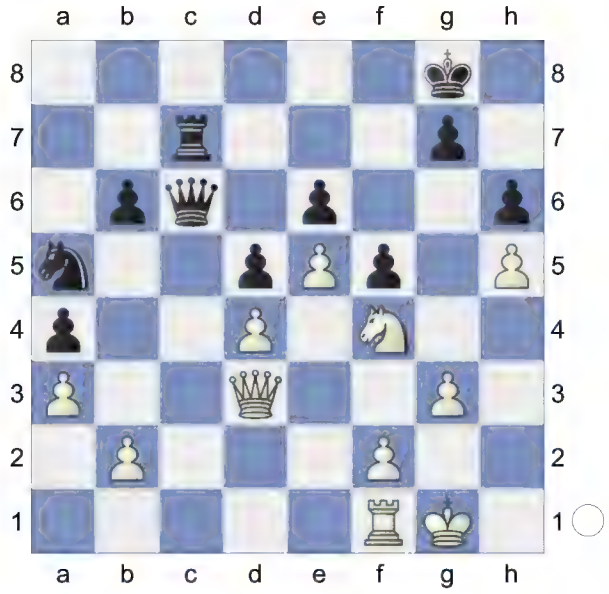
28...Bxc1 0.01/19

[28...a4∓ -0.52/21]

29.Rxc1 Kh7 0.35/20

[29...a4= -0.01/20]

30.Nf4± a4 31.Rc3 Na5 32.Rxc7 Rxc7 33.Qa6 Qc6 34.Qd3 Kg8



35.g4! fxg4

[35...Rf7 36.f3]

36.Qg6 Re7 37.Qxg4 Nb3 38.Kh2 Nd2

[38...Nxd4? 39.Ng6+-]

39.Rg1 Qe8? 3.79/21

[39...Rf7= -0.01/21]

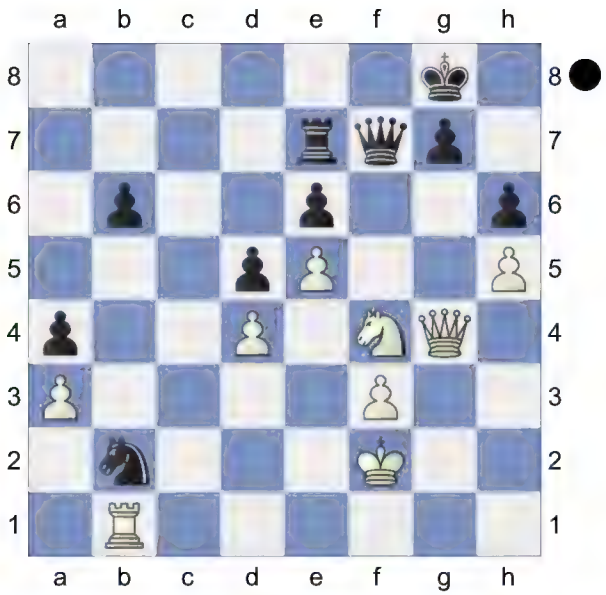
40.f3? 0.01/22

[40.Nxe6!+- 3.79/21 g5 41.Nf4]

40...Qf7 41.Kg2 Nc4 42.Kf2 Inhibits Ne3. **42...Nxb2 43.Rb1** -0.71/23

[43.Qh4!= -0.01/20]

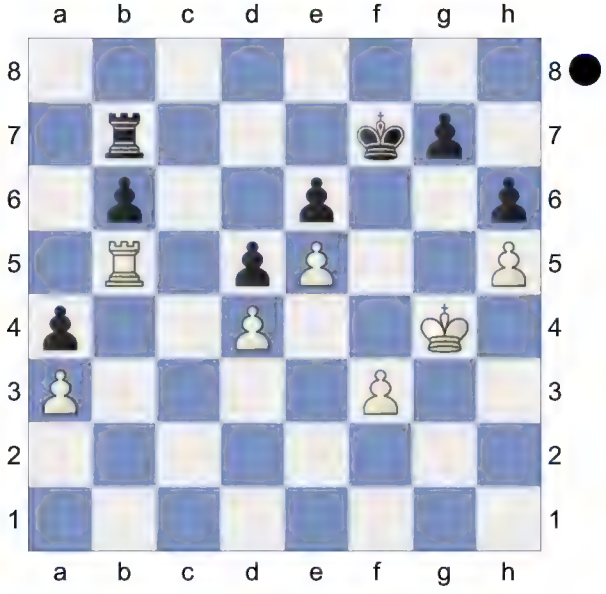
(Diagram)



43...Qxf4! 0.01/21 **44.Qxf4= Nd3+ 45.Ke3 Nxf4 46.Kxf4** Endgame KR-KR. Black is a pawn up. **46...Rb7⇄** Black puts up resistance **47.Rb5** -0.54/27

[White should try 47.Rb4= 0.01/25]

47...Kf7 48.Kg4



Ke7 0.01/30

[Black should try 48...g5!∓ -0.82/25 Hoping for ...Ke7. 49.f4 gxf4 50.Kxf4 Ke8]

49.f4 Kd7 50.f5 exf5+? 7.76/24

[50...Rb8= 0.15/24]

51.Kxf5+- Kc6 52.Rb4 b5 53.Kg6 Prevents Rf7 **53...Re7 54.Rb1 Kb6** 8.07/21
[⌓54...Rb7 4.86/21 55.Rb4 *(55.Rc1+ Kb6±)* 55...Re7]
55.Rc1 b4 56.axb4 Kb5

57.Kf5! Kxb4 58.e6 a3 59.Ke5 a2 60.Kxd5 Ra7 61.Ra1 Kc3? 6.98/22
[61...Kb5 3.48/20 62.Kd6 *(62.e7 Rxe7 63.Rxa2 Rd7+ 64.Ke5 Kc4±)* 62...Ra6+ 63.Ke7 Kc6]
62.Ke5 White is clearly winning.
[62.e7 Rxe7 63.Rxa2 Rd7+ 64.Ke5 Rxd4=]
62...Kc4 9.63/18
[⌓62...Kb2 5.01/20 63.Rxa2+ Rxa2 *(63...Kxa2? 64.d5+-)*]
63.d5 Threatens to win with d6. **63...Ra5 64.Rc1+ Kd3 65.e7 Ra8 66.d6 a1Q+ 67.Rxa1 Rxa1 68.d7**
[68.e8R? loses. Re1+ 69.Kf5 Rxe8-+]
68...Re1+ Never resign too early!
Weighted Error Value: White=0.52/ Black=0.57
69.Kd6
1-0

57 **C02**
□ **Siyay_25** **2731**
■ **nocnypako** **2703**
Blitz 13.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 White has compensation. **8...Rc8** 0.52/18
[8...Nh6= 0.08/17]
9.Nbd2!± White is slightly better.
9...Nge7 10.h4 0.09/19
[10.Nb3± 0.46/20 feels stronger.]
10...Ng6 0.85/18
[10...Nf5= 0.09/19 11.Nb3 dxc3 12.bxc3 Be7 13.h5 h6 14.Rb1 Qd8 15.Qe2 0-0 16.Bc2 b6 17.g3 Re8 18.g4 Nh4 19.Nxh4 Bxh4 20.Qd3 f5 21.Re2 Kh8 22.f4 Rf8 23.Rg2 Be7 24.Qg3 Rf7 25.Bd2 d4 0-1 (91) RaspFish (2843)-mayhem23111 (2931) Blitz 2023]
[10...h5 11.Ng5 g6 12.a3 Bg7 13.Ndf3 dxc3 14.bxc3 Qc7 15.Qe2 Na5 16.Rb1 a6 17.a4 0-0 18.Be3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Bxb5 Bxb5 21.Rxb5 Nc4 22.Bd4 Rb8 23.Reb1 Nc6 24.g3 N6xe5 25.Nxe5 0-1 (55) Ker,A (2228)-Mao,D (2015) NZL-ch op 132nd 2025 (7)]

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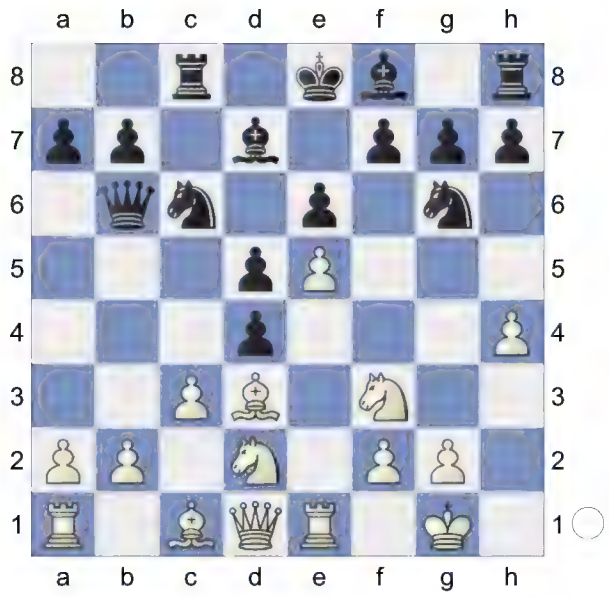
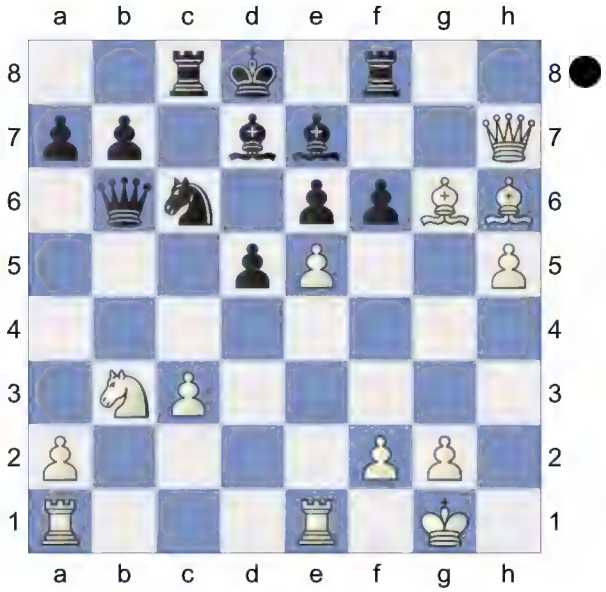


11.Nb3!± Be7N 2.67/19
[11...dxc3± 0.64/20 12.bxc3
A) 12...Qc7 13.Qe2 h6 *(13...Be7 14.h5 Ngxe5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Qxe5 Nxe5 17.Rxe5 Bf6 18.Re3 Rxc3 19.Rb1 d4 20.Rf3 Bc6 21.Rg3 e5 22.Bd2 Rxd3 23.Rxd3 Be4 24.Nc5 Bxd3 25.Nxd3 e4 26.Nc5 e3 27.fxe3 b6 28.Ne4* 1-0 (47) Celerier,E (2321)-Gochelashvili,D (1733) (Game 34) Gibraltar 2007 (7) *Be5 29.Rb4 dxe3 30.Bxe3 Ke7 31.Ra4 Bb8 32.Bd4 Rg8 33.Kf2 f6 34.g4 Ke6 35.Kf3 Rc8 36.g5 fxg5 37.Kg4 Kd5 38.Nc3+ Ke6 39.Bxg7 a5 40.Re4+ Kf7 41.h6 Bf4 42.Nd5 Rc2 43.Re7+* 1-0 (47) Heimisson,H (2321)-Taragan,U (1733) Budapest SixDays 01 IM-A 2023 (7)*)* 14.h5 Nge7 15.Rb1 Nd8 16.Bd2 Nec6 17.Nfd4 a6 18.Bf4 Na5 19.Rbc1 Nc4 20.Bg3 a5 21.f4 a4 22.Nd2 Nxd2 23.Qxd2 Ba3 24.Rc2 0-0 25.Kh2 Qa5 26.Rb1 Bc5 27.Nb5 ½-½ (66) Jacobson,E (2228)-Waibel,G (2486) World Championship Match, 33rd Game 19 (2.3);
B) 12...Qd8]
12.h5+-
[12.cxd4 Bxh4 13.Nxh4 Nxh4±]
[12.Nbxd4 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 Nxh4=]
12...Nh4 3.49/18
[12...Nf8 2.10/17 is a better defense. 13.Nfxd4 *(13.Nbxd4 Na5+-; 13.cxd4 Nb4±)* 13...f5 14.Nxc6 bxc6]
13.Nxh4
[13.Nfxd4 0-0±]
[13.Nbxd4 Nxf3+ 14.Nxf3 h6±]
13...Bxh4 14.Qg4! Be7 6.03/18
[14...Bxf2+ 3.59/17 15.Kxf2 dxc3+ 16.Kf1 cxb2]
15.Qxg7
[15.Nxd4 g5±]
15...Rf8 16.Qxh7 dxc3 17.bxc3 f6 8.46/19
[⌓17...Bh4 5.09/18 18.Be3 Qc7]
18.Bg6+ Kd8 19.Bh6



Trapped Piece **19...Nxe5 20.Bxf8 Bxf8 21.Qh8 Kc7** aiming for ...Ng4. **22.Qxf6 Bd6 23.Rxe5 Rf8 24.Qg5?** -0.01/14
[Only move: 24.Bf7+- 8.79/19]
24...Qxf2+= 25.Kh1! White now steadily converts the win. **25...Bxe5** 8.10/19

[25...Rf4= -0.01/23 26.g3 Qf3+ 27.Kg1 *(27.Kh2 Rg4∓)* 27...Qf2+ 28.Kh1]

26.Qxe5++- Kc8 27.Nd4 Qh4+ 28.Qh2 Qg5 29.Re1 e5 30.Nf3

[30.Qxe5 Qh4+ 31.Kg1 Qf2+ 32.Kh2 Qh4+ 33.Kg1 Qf2+ 34.Kh1 Qh4+ 35.Kg1=]

30...Qh6 31.Qxe5 Rg8 32.Qg5 Qh8 33.Re5 Qg7 34.Rxd5 Bc6 35.Rf5 Qd7 36.Rf6 Hoping for Qe5. **36...Qd1+ 37.Kh2 Bxf3 38.Rxf3** 13.61/23

[⌓38.Bf5+ #8/18 Kc7 39.Qf4+ *(39.Qxg8 Bc6+-)* 39...Kd8 40.Qb8+ *(40.gxf3* leads to mate. *Qe2+ 41.Kh3 Qf1+ 42.Kh4 Qh1+* Skewer; *40.Rd6+ Qxd6 41.Qxd6+ Ke8 42.Bd7+ Kf7 43.Qe6+ Kg7 44.Qg6+ Kh8 45.Qh6#)* 40...Ke7 41.Re6+ *(41.Qxg8 Kxf6 42.Qe6+ Kg5+-; 41.Qe5+ Kd8 42.Rd6+ Qxd6 43.Qxd6+ Ke8 44.Bd7+ Kf7 45.Qe6+ Kg7 46.Qg6+ Kh8 47.Qh6#)* 41...Kd7 42.Rg6+ Discovered Attack (Check) *(42.Qxg8 Qd6+ 43.Rxd6+ Kxd6 44.Qg3+ Kc5 45.Qxf3 Kd6 46.h6 a5)* 42...Ke7 43.Qe5+ *(43.Rxg8 Kf6+-)* 43...Kf8 44.Qf6+ Deflection Ke8 45.Rxg8#]

38...Qd6+ 39.Qf4 Qc6 40.Re3 16.15/27

[⌓40.Bf5+ #9/20 Qd7 41.Qd6 *(41.Bxd7+ Kxd7 42.Rd3+ Kc8 43.Qc4+ Kb8 44.Qxg8+ Kc7 45.Qc4+ Kb6 46.Rd6+ Ka5 47.Qb4#)* 41...Qxf5 42.Rxf5 b6 43.Rf7 *(43.Qe6+ Kc7 44.Rf7+ Kb8 45.Qe5+ Ka8 46.Qe4+ Kb8 47.Qb7#)* 43...Rxg2+ 44.Kxg2 b5 45.Qf8#]

40...b6 41.Bf5+ White mates. **41...Kd8 42.Qb8+ Qc8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.54/ Black=1.39

43.Qxc8#

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58 **C02**

□ **Gukesh D** **2730**

■ **Rendle,Thomas E** **2379**

Titled Tue 28. Mar Early (7) 28.03.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nbd2 Bc5 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nf3 Ne7** The position is equal. **12.a4N** Strongly threatening a4-a5.

[12.Bd2 f5 13.Rc1 0-0 14.Nxd4 Qxd4 15.Qb3 Bc6 16.Bb4 Rf7 17.Rcd1 Qg4 18.f4 g5 19.h3 Qh5 20.fxg5 Qxg5 21.Bd2 Qg6 22.Bf4 d4 23.Rf2 Rg7 24.Bf1 Bd5 25.Qa4 Qh5 26.Kh2 Nc6 0-1 OaBrien,M (2063)-Orlov,S (2036) corr FICGS CHESS 2007 (1)]

[12.Nxd4 Qxd4 13.Re1 Nc6 *(13...Rc8)* 14.Be3 Qxe5 15.Bc5 Qg5 16.Qb3 b6 17.Bd6 *(17.Ba3 Nd4 18.Qb4 Nf3+ 19.Kh1 Nxe1 20.Rxe1 Rc8 21.f4 Qh4 22.g3 Qd8 23.Qd6 Rc5 24.f5 Qc7 25.Bxc5 Qxc5 26.Qb8+ Qc8 27.Qe5 f6 28.Qxd5 0-0 29.Qc4 Bc6+ 30.Kg1 Bd5 31.Qxc8 Rxc8* 0-1 Neat,P (2374)-Bruce,R (2541) 181843 San Sebastian 1911*)* 17...Nd4 18.Qd1 h5 19.Ba6 Nb5 20.f4 Qf5 21.Re5 Nxd6 22.Rxf5 Nxf5 23.Rc1 0-0 24.Qxh5 Rfd8 25.Rc3 g6 26.Qe2 d4 1-0 Lie,K (2487)-Budisavljevic,L (2481) Julius Baer GenCup Pl/In rapid 2024 (1)]

[12.Qe2 Rc8 13.Bg5 Ng6 14.Rab1 0-0 15.h4 f6 16.exf6 Bxf6 17.h5

Ne7 18.h6 e5 19.hxg7 Kxg7 20.Nxe5 Bxg5 21.Nxd7 Qh6 22.Nxf8 Rxf8 23.Qe5+ Bf6 24.Qh2 Qxh2+ 25.Kxh2 Be5+ 26.Kg1 Nc6 1-0 Riff,V (2368)-Do Carmo,G (2008) Titled Tuesday intern op 28th Jan Early blitz 2025 (2)]

12...a5!

[12...Bxb2? 13.Rb1+-]

13.h4 -0.85/23

[13.Nxd4= -0.22/22 keeps the balance. Qxd4 14.Re1]

13...Nc6

[13...Bxb2? 14.Rb1+-]

14.Bf4 h6

[14...Bxb2 15.Rb1±]

15.h5 Bc5

[15...Qxb2 16.Rb1 Qc3 17.Rb3+- *(17.Rxb7 Nb4=)*]

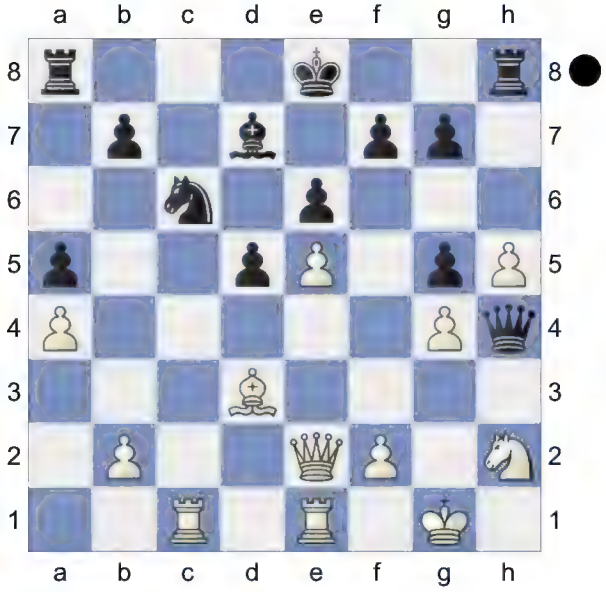
16.Rc1 Be7 17.Nh2? -2.26/23

[17.Re1∓ -0.64/21]

17...Bg5

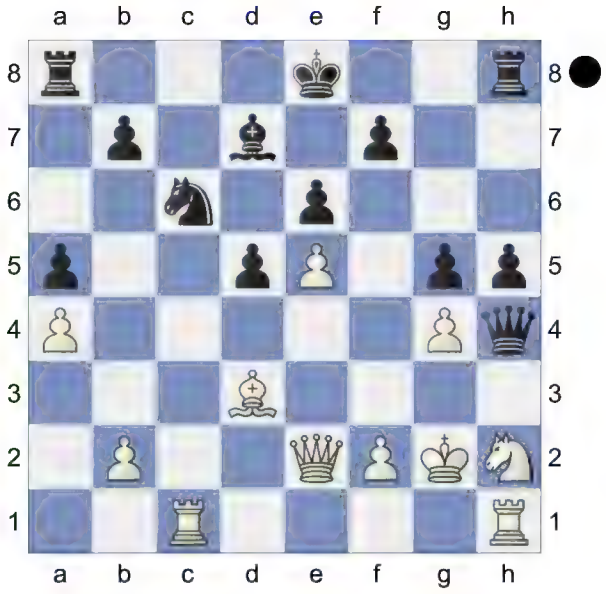
[17...Qxb2 18.Re1]

18.Bxg5 hxg5 19.Re1 Qd4 20.Qe2 Qh4 21.g4



g6! -1.36/21 **22.Kg2∓** Black must now prevent Re1-h1. **22...gxh5 23.Rh1?** -3.16/21

[23.f3∓ -1.57/23]



23...Nb4?? 1.66/26

[23...Nd4!-+ -3.16/21 and life is good for Black. 24.Qd1 hxg4 25.Nxg4 Qxh1+ 26.Qxh1 Rxh1 27.Nf6+ Ke7 28.Rxh1 Bxa4]

24.f3 0.31/19

[24.Bb5+- 1.66/26 Bxb5 25.Qxb5+ Kf8 26.f3]

24...d4? 2.30/24

[24...Bxa4? 25.Nf1+-]

[24...Nxd3!± 0.31/19 25.Qxd3 Rc8 *(25...Bxa4? 26.Nf1+-)*]

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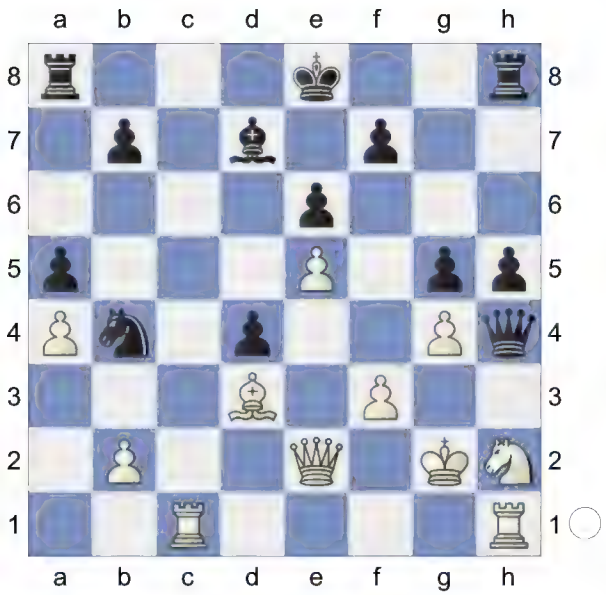

25.Be4!+- d3 26.Qd2 Bc6 ...Bc6xe4 is the strong threat.
[26...Bxa4 27.Bxb7 *(27.Nf1 Qxh1+ 28.Kxh1 hxg4+ 29.Kg1 Bc6+-)* 27...Rd8 28.Nf1+-]
27.Nf1
[27.Bxd3 hxg4 *(27...0-0-0? 28.Rxc6+ bxc6 29.Nf1-+)* 28.Be4 Bxe4 *(28...Bxa4 29.Nxg4* Discovered Attack *Rg8 30.Nf6+ Kf8 31.Rxh4+-; 28...Qh3+? 29.Kg1-+)* 29.fxe4 Qh3+ 30.Kf2 Rd8-+ *(30...Qxh2+? 31.Rxh2 Rxh2+ 32.Ke3-+; 30...Qxh2+? 31.Rxh2 Rxh2+ 32.Ke1-+)*]
27...Qxh1+ 28.Kxh1 hxg4+ 29.Kg1 gxf3 30.Bxc6+
[30.Bxd3 0-0-0 31.Rxc6+ *(31.Rc3? Rh4-+)* 31...bxc6-+]
30...bxc6 31.Ng3 1.47/16
[White should play 31.Qxg5+- 2.50/16 Rc1-c4 would now be deadly. Kd7 32.Qe3]
31...0-0-0± 32.Rc5? 0.00/20
[White should try 32.Rc4+- 1.62/19]
32...Rd4 0.58/25
[Better is 32...Rh3= 0.00/20 33.Ne4 *(33.Qxg5? too greedy. d2-+)* 33...Rdh8]
33.Rxa5± Rh3? 4.24/30
[33...Kb7± 0.82/19]
34.Qf2?? -5.31/18 Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/Black=0.50. Loss on time!?
[34.Qxg5+- 4.24/30 is the narrow road to win. Rxg3+ 35.Qxg3]
1-0

59 **C02**
□ **Andreikin,Dmitry** **2729**
■ **Sivakumar,Shaaketh** **2337**
Titled Tue 23. May Late (1) 23.05.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Nf5** 0.34/20
[9...a6= 0.02/17 should be considered.]
10.Bxf5± exf5 11.cxd4 Bb4N
[11...Be6 12.Nc3 h6 13.Na4 *(13.Ne2 Be7 14.h5 0-0 15.Rb1 Rfc8 16.Nf4 a5 17.Kh1 Nb4 18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.Rg1 Qb5 20.g4 Qd3 21.Qxd3 Nxd3 22.gxf5 Nxf2+ 23.Kh2 exf5 24.Rg2 Ng4+ 25.Kg3 Kf7 26.Bf4 Rc4 27.Rd1 Rac8* Piorun,K (2640)-Vastrukhin,O (2376) Warsaw 2021 [John Watson] 1-0 (74) *28.Ne1 b5 29.Re2 Ke6 30.Rd3 a4 31.b3 axb3 32.axb3 R4c6 33.Ra2 g5 34.hxg6 Rg8 35.Kf3 Rxg6 36.Ng2 b4 37.Bg3 Bg5 38.Ra4 Rc3 39.Rxc3 bxc3 40.Ra6+ Kf7 41.Ra7+ Ke8 42.Rc7 Bd2* Rasmussen,P (2640)-2. ♗g5 ♘e4 3. ♗f4 e6 (2376) Heviz HUN 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A] 1-0 (74))

13...Qb5 14.Nc3 Qb6 15.Na4 Qb5 16.Nc3 ½-½ (16) Vykouk,J (2475)-Polak,T (2502) Czech Republic 2022]
[11...Be7 12.Nc3 Be6 13.Bg5 Bb4 14.Rc1 h6 15.Bd2 Be7 16.Na4 Qb5 17.b4 a5 18.bxa5 Nxa5 19.Rb1 Qc6 20.Nb6 Ra6 21.Bxa5 Rxa5 22.a4 Bd8 23.Qd2 Bxb6 24.Rec1 Qxa4 25.Rxb6 0-0 26.Rxb7 4.a3Ba6/ 10. Be2 (2582)-Kramer,A (2603) Cap d'Agde 2023 CT-2292 [John Watson] ½-½ (31)]

12.Nc3 Be6 13.a3 0.11/20
[13.Re3± 0.55/17]

13...Bxc3= 14.bxc3 Na5 15.a4 Rc8 0.58/18
[15...0-0= 0.11/20 might be stronger.]

16.Ba3± Rxc3 17.Rb1 0.01/20 **Qc6** 2.07/22
[17...Qd8= 0.01/20 18.Bb4 Rc4]

18.Bb4!+- b6 2.91/22
[⌓18...Rxf3 1.92/21 19.Qxf3 Nc4]

19.Ng5 1.48/23
[19.Bxc3 Qxc3 20.Rc1 Qb4+-]
[19.Qd2+- 2.91/22 Rc4 20.Qg5 *(20.Bxa5 bxa5 21.Rb8+ Bc8±)*]

19...Rc4± 20.Bxa5 bxa5 21.Rb8+ Bc8 22.e6 White has strong compensation.

22...f6 23.Nf7 0.77/22
[⌓23.Qh5+ 1.22/22 g6 24.Qh6]

23...0-0

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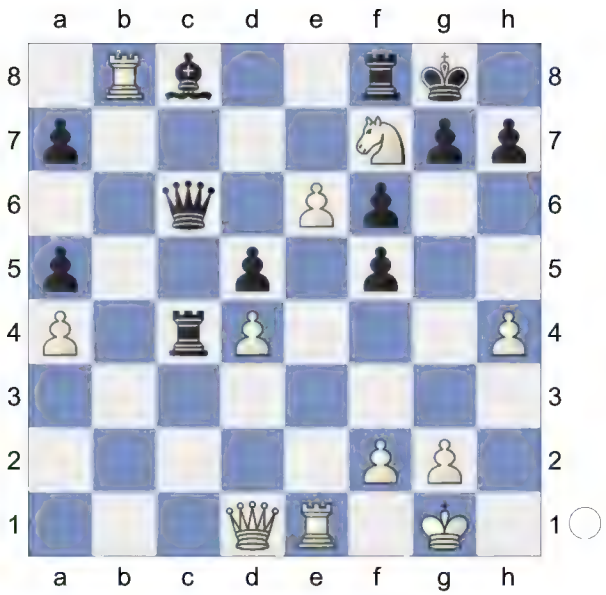
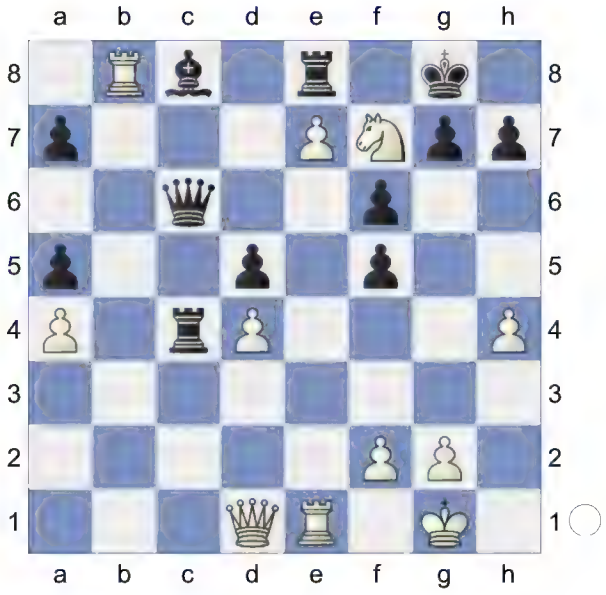


24.e7!↑ White is on the roll. **24...Re8**



25.Qh5 -2.17/22
[25.Rxc8!± 0.97/22 keeps the pressure on. Rxc8 26.Nd8]

25...g6? 0.80/21
[25...Rc1?

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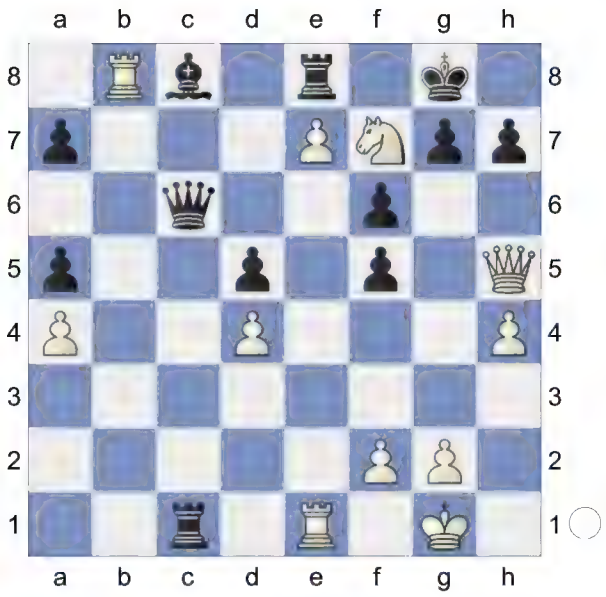
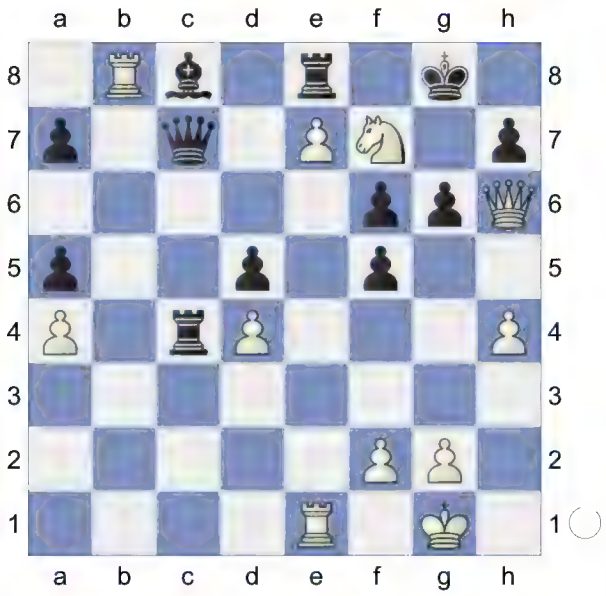


26.Nh6+! gxh6 27.Qxe8+!! Qxe8 28.Rxc1+-]

[Black should play 25...Qd7!-+ -2.17/22 26.Rb5 *(26.Nd6? Rxe7 27.Rxe7 Rc1+ 28.Kh2 Qxd6+ 29.g3 Qxe7-+)* 26...g6]

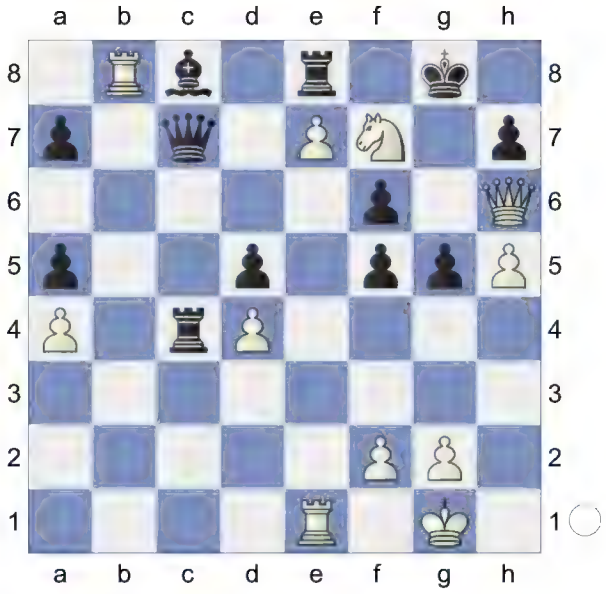
26.Qh6 The board is on fire. &Bianco is much more active. **26...Qc7?** 18.87/27

[26...Qd7± 0.43/25 27.h5 Rxe7 28.Rxe7 Qxe7 29.hxg6 hxg6 30.Qxg6+ Kf8]



27.h5!+- g5

[27...Rxe7 28.Rxc8+]



28.Qxf6! Qxb8

[28...Qh2+ 29.Kxh2]

29.Nh6# Weighted Error Value: White=0.37/Black=0.93

1-0

60 **C02**

□ **StepOnMeSydneSweeney** **2728**

■ **Kos1189** **2722**

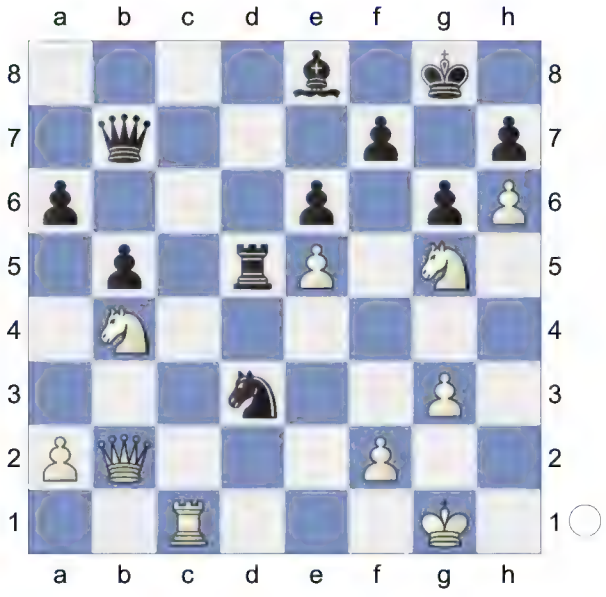
Blitz 19.10.2024

[Kitty Kat]

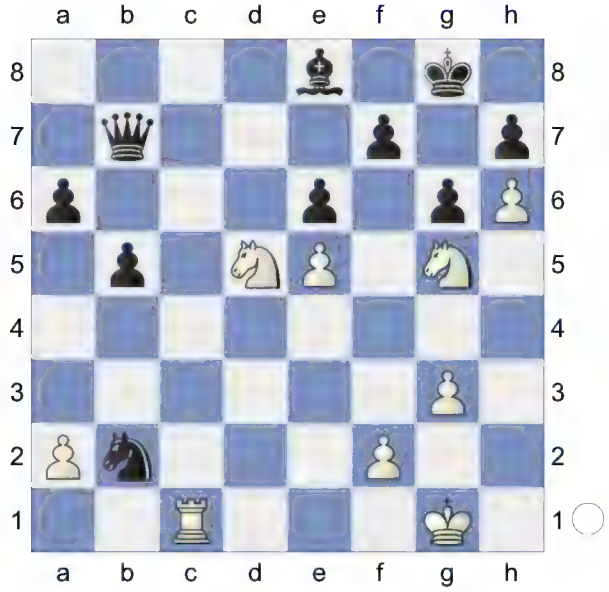
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.Nbd2** The position is equal. **9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Nge7**

[10...Na5 11.Rb1 Qc7 12.c4 dxc4 13.Bc2 Ne7 14.Ne4 Ng6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qd8 17.Ng5 Rc5 18.Ne4 Rf5 19.g4 Rd5 20.Nf6+ gxf6 21.Qxd5 Ne5 22.Rxe5 fxe5 23.Qxe5 Rg8 24.Bxh7 Qh4 25.Bxg8 ½-½ Cheparinov,I (2663)-Svane,F

(2618) FIDE World Cup 2023 (2.2)]
11.Rb1 White has compensation.
11...Qc7 12.Nb3 0.37/20 White is much more active.
[White should play 12.c4± 0.73/20 Ng6 13.cxd5 exd5 14.Ng5 Nd8 15.e6 Nxe6 16.Qh5 Ngf4 17.Qxf7+ Kd8 18.Ndf3 Nxd3 19.Nxe6+ Bxe6 20.Bg5+ Be7 21.Qxe6 Nxe1 22.Qxd5+ Qd7 23.Bxe7+ Ke8 24.Qh5+ g6 25.Qe5 Nxf3+ 26.gxf3 Kf7 27.Qf6+ ½-½ Merario Alarcon,A (2401)-Marin,M (2456) San Vicente del Raspeig 2024]
12...Ng6 13.Qe2N
[13.Nbd4 a6 14.Qe2 Be7 15.g3 *(15.Bd2 Na5 16.g3 Ba3 17.h4 b5 18.h5 Ne7 19.h6 g6 20.Ng5 Ng8 21.Qf3 Bc6 22.Bxg6 hxg6 23.h7 Qe7 24.hxg8Q+ Rxg8 25.Nh7 Rh8 26.Bg5 Rxh7 27.Bxe7 Bxe7 28.Kg2 Nc4 29.Rbd1 Rh5* ½-½ Ozturk,M (1659)-Aydin,A (1704) TUR-chT 2nd League 2022 (3.7)) 15...0-0 16.h4 b5 17.Nxc6 Qxc6 18.h5 Nh8 19.Qc2 g6 Hector,J (2465)-Brynell,S (2422) Malmoe 150/(91) 2021]
13...Be7 Wards off h2-h4 **14.g3** 0.06/20
[14.Nbd4!± 0.49/22 might be stronger.]
14...0-0= 15.h4 Rfe8 0.30/20
[15...f6∓ -0.32/17 16.exf6 gxf6 *(16...Bxf6 17.Nc5=)*]
16.h5 Nf8 17.h6 And now h6xg7 would win. **17...g6 18.Bf4 Qd8 19.c4** -0.51/20
[19.Qe3± 0.48/21]
19...dxc4 0.54/18
[Better is 19...Nb4∓ -0.51/20 20.cxd5 exd5]
20.Bxc4± a6 21.Red1 b5 22.Bd3 Qb6 1.18/21
[22...Nb4= 0.19/19 remains equal.]
23.Be4 0.76/20
[⌓23.Bg5! 1.18/21]
23...Red8 1.86/21
[23...Nb4± 0.76/20 might work better.]
24.Be3 Qb8 25.Qb2 Be8 1.84/21
[25...Nb4± 1.39/19 was worth a try.]
26.Rdc1 1.08/21
[26.Rd6!+- 1.84/21]
26...Nb4 1.89/20
[26...a5± 1.08/21 keeps fighting.]
27.Nbd4 0.46/20
[White should try 27.Bc5!+- 1.89/20 Bxc5 28.Nxc5]
27...Nd5 28.Bxd5 Rxd5 29.Rxc8 Qxc8 30.Rc1 Qb7
[30...Qd8!?]
31.Bg5 -0.43/19
[31.Nh2= 0.00/21]
31...Bxg5?? 2.61/17
[31...Bc5!∓ -0.43/19 stays ahead.]
32.Nxg5+- Nd7? 4.54/22
[32...Qb8 1.90/19]
33.Nc6 Nc5 Strongly threatening ...Nc5-d3! **34.Nb4** A dynamic duo of knights.
34...Nd3 3.70/26
[⌓34...Rd8 2.62/20]



35.Nxd5? 0.16/24
[35.Nxd3!+- 3.70/26 Rxd3 36.Qb4]
35...Nxb2? 2.49/24
[35...exd5= 0.16/24 36.Qd2 Nxc1 37.Qxc1 Qe7]

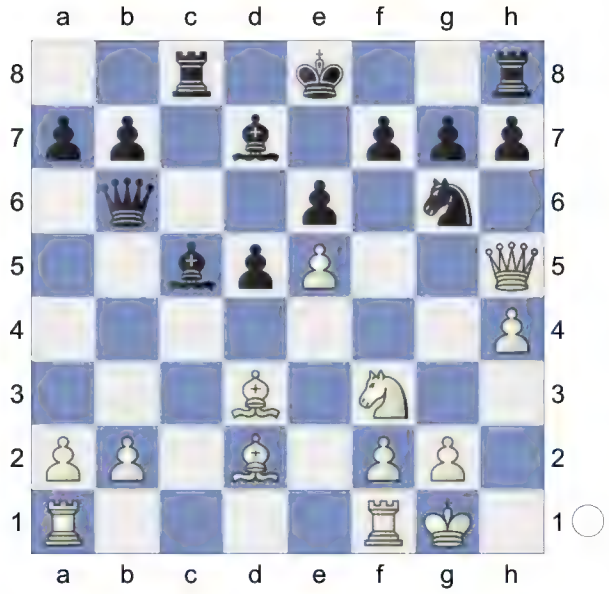


36.Nf6+! Kh8? 4.25/18
[36...Kf8 2.12/21 37.Ngxh7+ Ke7]
37.Nxe8 White wants to mate with Ne8-f6. **37...Nc4 38.Nd6 Qd5 39.Nxc4** 0.00/25
[39.Nde4+- 4.56/20 Intending Ne4-f6 and mate. Qd7 *(39...Qxe5? 40.Nxf7+ Kg8 41.Nxe5+-)* 40.f4]
39...bxc4 Endgame. KQ-KRN **40.Rb1! Qa8** Against Rb1-b8+. ...c4-c3 would now be deadly.
[40...Qxe5 41.Nxf7+ Kg8 42.Nxe5 Kf8 43.Rb7 *(43.Nxc4 Kf7 44.Rb7+* Skewer *Kf6 45.Rxh7 Kg5 46.Rf7 Kxh6 47.Ne5 Kh5 48.f4 Kh6 49.Ng4+ Kh5 50.Nf6+ Kh6 51.Rh7#)* 43...c3 44.Rxh7 c2 45.Rc7 *(45.Nxg6+ Ke8 46.Rc7 c1Q+ 47.Rxc1 Kf7 48.Ne5+ Kf6 49.f4 a5 50.h7 a4 51.h8Q+ Kf5 52.Qh7+ Kf6 53.Ng4#)* 45...c1Q+ 46.Rxc1]
41.Rb4! Qc8 Hoping for ...c4-c3.
42.Nxf7+ Kg8 43.Nd6 Qc7 14.37/24
[43...Qf8= 0.00/19]
44.Rxc4
[44.Nxc4 a5 45.Nxa5 *(45.Ra4 Qc5∓)* 45...Qxa5 46.Rb8+ Kf7 47.Rb7+ Ke8 48.Rxh7 Qe1+ *(48...Qxa2 49.Rc7=; 48...Qxe5 49.Ra7=)* 49.Kg2 Qe4+ *(49...Qxe5 50.Ra7=)* 50.Kg1 Kf8 *(50...Qxe5 51.Ra7=)* 51.Rh8+ Kf7-+]
44...Qa5 45.Rc8+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.67/Black=0.78
1-0

61 **C02**
□ **PatriciaBot** **2721**
■ **ToromBot** **3009**
Blitz 26.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

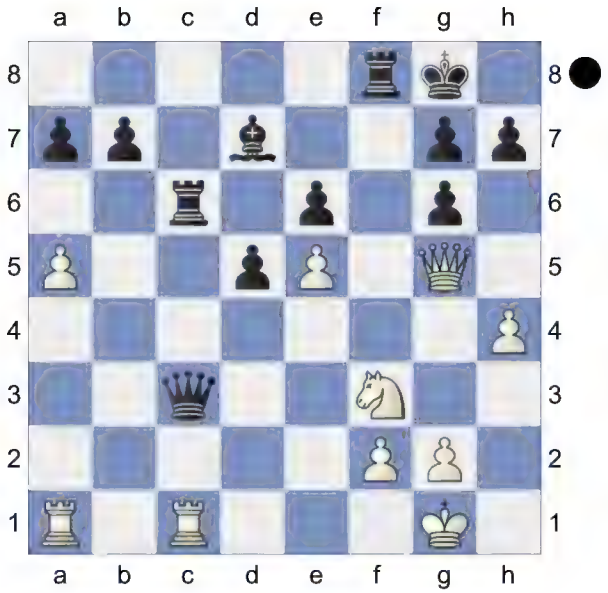
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.cxd4 Nxd4 9.Nbd2! Bc5 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Qh5 Ne7 The position is equal.
[11...Bxb2 12.Rb1 Qd4 13.Rxb2 *(13.Bxb2 Qxd3 14.Nb3 Rc8∓)* 13...Qxd3 14.Rxb7±]
12.Nf3 Ng6
[12...Bxb2? 13.Rb1 Rc8 *(13...g6? 14.Qh4+-)* 14.Bxb2+- *(14.Rxb2 Qc7+-)*]
13.Bd2 Rc8 0.22/17
[13...Bxb2?! 14.Rab1±]
[⌓13...a6 -0.21/19]
14.h4!= White has compensation.
14...Bc5N
[14...Qxb2 15.Rfb1 Qa3 *(15...Qxa1 16.Rxa1 Bxa1 17.Bb4±)* 16.Rb3±]
[14...Bxb2 15.Rab1±]

[14...0-0 15.Rae1 f5 16.exf6 Bxf6 17.Ng5 Bxg5 18.Qxg5 22) French Defense: The 'Smer-French Smerden Mbg Mainlines]

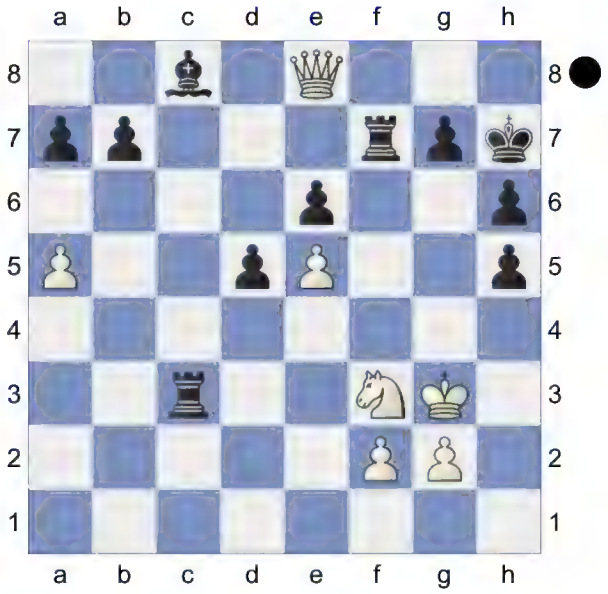


15.b4! -0.63/20 **Bd4!∓**
[15...Bxb4? 16.Rfb1 a5 17.a3+-]
16.a4 Bc3!↑ Black is more active. **17.a5! Qxb4 18.Rfb1! Qc5 19.Bxc3 Qxc3 20.Bxg6 fxg6 21.Qg5 Rc4 22.Nd2 Rc6** next ...Rf8 is good for Black. **23.Nf3** -0.59/21
[23.Rc1= -0.21/23 Qxc1+ 24.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 25.Kh2]
23...0-0 24.Rc1

(Diagram)

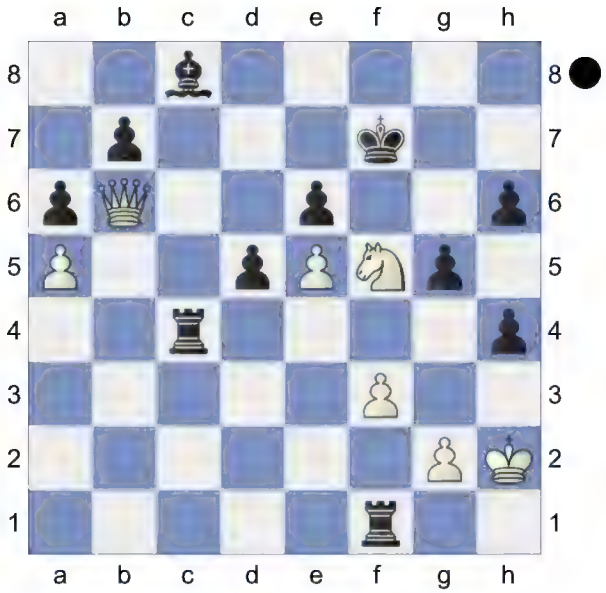


h6! 25.Qe7 -0.57/22
[25.Rxc3= -0.07/23 hxg5 26.Rxc6 Bxc6 27.Nxg5]
25...Qxc1+ 26.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 27.Kh2 Rf7 28.Qd6 -0.82/21
[28.Qd8+= -0.30/23 Kh7 29.Qb8]
28...Bc8!∓ 29.Kg3 -0.92/24
[29.Qd8+ Rf8 30.Qe7 Rc4-+]
[White should play 29.Nd4∓ -0.40/23]
29...Rc3! 30.Qd8+ Kh7 31.h5 -1.79/22 **gxh5-+ 32.Qe8** -2.10/22
[32.Qh4∓ -1.49/22]



32...Rf5! 33.Qb5 Rc4
[33...Rxe5 34.Qb4 h4+ 35.Kh3]
34.Qb1 -2.48/22
[34.Kh3 -1.72/22 is a better defense.]
34...Kg8 35.Qb5 Rf8 36.Kh3 a6 37.Qb6 Rff4 -1.17/20
[37...Rc6-+ -1.76/22 38.Qe3 Rf7]
Loses the game. **38.Kg3** -2.70/23
[38.Qd8+∓ -1.17/20 Rf8 39.Qb6]
38...Kf7 39.Qd8 Rfe4 40.Nd2 Rg4+
[40...Rxe5? 41.Nxc4 dxc4 42.Qc7+ *(42.Qxc8 Kg6+-)* 42...Kf6 43.Qxc8+-]
41.Kh2 Rc1 42.Nf3 Re4 43.Nh4 -4.23/22
[⌓43.Qb6 -2.65/20]
43...Rec4
[43...Rxe5 44.f4 Ree1 45.Nf3 Rh1+ 46.Kg3-+]
44.Nf3 Rd1 Repels Nd2 **45.Nh4?** -5.70/21
[45.Qb6 -3.03/21]
45...Rf1 46.Kg3 Rc3+ 47.f3 Rc4 48.Qb6? -11.00/23
[48.Kh2 -2.92/20]
48...g5 49.Nf5 h4+
[49...exf5 50.Qf6+ Ke8 51.Qg6+ Kd7 *(51...Kd8 52.Qf6+ Ke8 53.Qg6+ Kf8 54.Qxh6+ Ke8 55.Qg6+ Kd7 56.Qd6+ Ke8 57.Qg6+ Kd8 58.Qf6+ Ke8 59.Qg6+=)* 52.Qd6+ Ke8 53.Qg6+ Kd8 54.Qd6+ Ke8 55.Qg6+=]
50.Kh2

(Diagram)

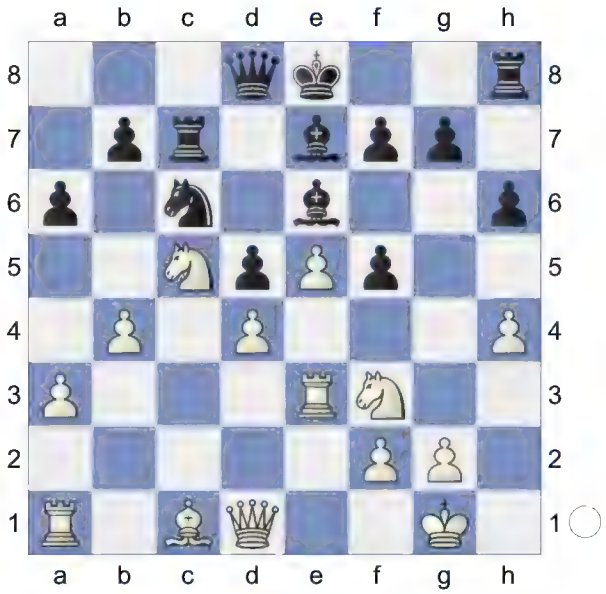


Rcc1!
[Weaker is 50...exf5 51.Qf6+ Ke8 52.Qg6+ Kd7 53.Qd6+ Ke8 54.Qg6+ Kd8 55.Qf6+ Ke8 56.Qg6+=]
51.Ng3 Wards off Rh1+ **51...hxg3+ 52.Kxg3 Ke8 53.Qb2 Rc6 54.Qa3 Rh1 55.Kf2 Kd8 56.Qf8+ Kc7 57.Qa3 Kb8** Strongly threatening ...Rc2+.
58.Qb4 Rc2+ 59.Ke3 Rd1 60.Qd6+ Ka8 61.f4 gxf4+ 62.Kxf4 d4 -34.30/29
[⌓62...Rd3 -#23/31 63.Kg4 Rc4+ *(63...Rxg2+? 64.Kf4-+)* 64.Kh5 Rg3 65.Qe7 Rg5+ *(65...Rxg2? 66.Qa3-+)* 66.Kxh6 Rxg2 67.Qd8 Rc1 *(67...Rh2+? 68.Kg7-+)* 68.Qh4 d4 69.Qh5 d3 70.Qh3 Rcg1 71.Kh7 d2 *(71...Rg7+* leads to mate. *72.Kh6 d2 73.Qh1 R7g6+ 74.Kh7 d1Q 75.Qh4 Qd7+ 76.Qe7 Qxe7+ 77.Kh8 Rh6#)* 72.Qh6 d1Q *(72...d1R 73.Qh4 Rd7+ 74.Kh6 Rg6+ 75.Kh5 Rh7#)* 73.Qf8 Qh5+ 74.Qh6 Qxh6+ 75.Kxh6 Rh2#]
63.Qb4 d3 (-> ...d2!) **64.Qb3**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.53/ Black=0.20 (precise)

64...Rdc1
0-1

62 **C02**
□ **literal_bagel** **2720**
■ **NameTheGame** **2681**
Blitz 07.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7! 8.Re1 White has compensation. **8...Rc8** 0.52/21
[8...Nh6= 0.06/20]
9.h4 -0.62/21
[9.Nbd2!± 0.52/21]
9...Nh6!∓
[9...Nge7 10.Nbd2 *(10.h5 a6 11.h6 gxh6 12.Qe2 Ng6 13.g3 Bg7 14.cxd4 Nxd4 15.Nxd4 Qxd4 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.Nc3 b5 18.Be3 Qxe5 19.Qd2 d4 20.Bxh6 dxc3 21.Rxe5 Bxe5 22.Qe3 cxb2 23.Rb1 Bf6 24.Bg5 Bc3* 0-1 (33) Onslow,A (2170)-Zschiedrich,H (2067) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early blitz 2025 (6) *)* 10...dxc3 11.bxc3 Ng6 12.c4 Bc5 13.Rb1 Qd8 14.cxd5 exd5 15.g3 0-0 16.h5 Nge7 17.Qc2 Nb4 18.Bxh7+ Kh8 19.Rxb4 Bxf2+ 20.Kxf2 Rxc2 21.Bxc2 Qc7 22.Rb1 Qxc2 23.Rxb7 Qc5+ 24.Kg2 0-1 (26) Sergo-Vladivostok (2592)-HELMUT_LANG (2667) Blitz 2024]
10.a3N -1.41/19
[10.Ng5∓ -0.49/17]
[10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Ng4 12.Re2 Bc5 13.Qe1 Na5 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Nb3 Nxb3 16.axb3 Bb6 17.Bd2 a6 18.Ng5 h6 19.Nh3 Bb5 20.c4 Bc6 21.Bb4 dxc4 22.bxc4 Qd8 23.Rd1 Qxh4 24.Be4 h5 1-0 (31) Christiansen,J (2661)-Galchenko,M (2438) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (10)]
10...a6 0.01/19
[10...Ng4∓ -1.41/19 11.Qe2 Be7]
11.b4 -1.09/19
[11.c4!= 0.01/19]
11...Nf5? 0.49/18
[11...Ng4∓ -1.09/19 12.Nxd4 Ngxe5 *(12...Ncxe5 13.Bc2∓)*]
12.Bxf5± exf5 13.cxd4 Be7 0.81/18
[13...Be6± 0.35/17]
14.Re3 -0.24/19
[14.Nc3± 0.81/18]
14...Be6 0.46/18
[14...f4= -0.24/19 15.Rd3 Bf5 16.Bxf4 Bxd3 17.Qxd3 Qb5 18.Qxb5 axb5]
15.Nc3 h6 0.62/18
[15...0-0= 0.14/19]
16.Na4 Qd8 17.Nc5 Rc7 0.95/17
[17...Bxc5± 0.47/19 18.bxc5 b6]



18.Rc3!± Bxh4? 2.51/19
[18...0-0± 0.66/18]
19.a4? 0.20/18

[White should play 19.Nxb7+- 2.51/19 Rxb7 20.Rxc6]

19...Be7= 20.b5 Na5 21.bxa6 -0.01/19
[21.Ba3!± 0.54/19]

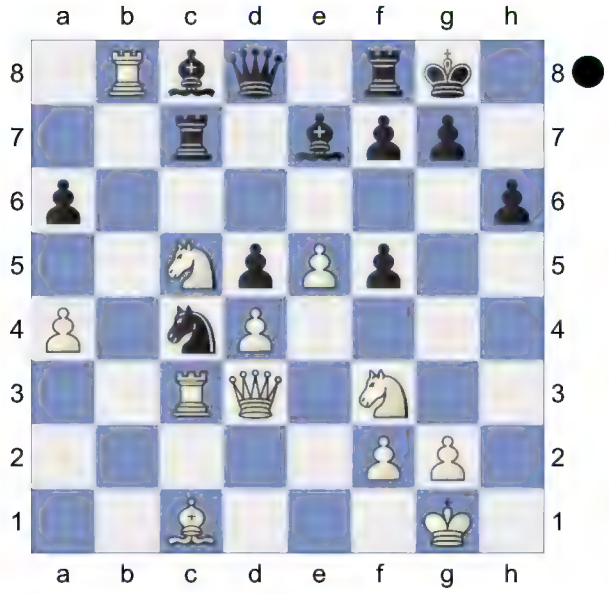
21...bxa6 22.Rb1 -0.50/20
[22.Ba3= 0.01/20]

22...0-0∓ 23.Rb6 -1.32/19
[23.Ne1!= -0.15/19 keeps the balance.]

23...Bc8 -0.01/18
[Better is 23...Qc8∓ -1.32/19 White must now prevent ...Re8. 24.Ba3 Re8]

24.Qd3? -1.63/18
[24.Ne1= -0.01/18 and White has nothing to worry.]

24...Nc4-+ 25.Rb8 -1.86/17
[25.Nxa6? Bxa6 *(25...Nxb6 26.Nxc7 Nxa4 27.Rc2=)* 26.Rxa6 Qc8 27.Bxh6 Qxa6-+]
[25.a5∓ -1.30/18 keeps fighting.]



25...Bxc5 -1.03/15
[25...Rc6!-+ -1.86/17 26.Be3 g5]

26.dxc5∓ Qd7 -0.32/21
[26...Re8∓ -1.21/17 27.Nd4 Nxe5 *(27...Rxc5? 28.Qg3-+)*]

27.Nd4∓ Qxa4 -0.29/18
[27...Nxe5∓ -0.65/20 deserves consideration. 28.Qg3 f6 29.Bxh6 Qxa4]

28.Nxf5=
[28.Bxh6 Nxe5 29.Qd2 gxh6-+]

28...Bxf5
[28...Rxc5? 29.Nxh6+ gxh6 30.Qd4+-]

29.Rxf8+ Kxf8 30.Qxf5 -3.08/23
[30.Qxd5∓ -0.31/24 Rd7 31.Qxc4 Qd1+ 32.Qf1 Qxf1+ 33.Kxf1]

30...Qd1+-+
[30...Rxc5 31.Ba3 Kg8 32.e6 fxe6 *(32...Nxa3 33.Rxc5 Qd1+ 34.Kh2; 32...Qd1+? 33.Kh2+-)* 33.Qxe6+ Kh7 *(33...Kh8? 34.Rf3+-)* 34.Qf5+ *(34.Bxc5 Qa1+ 35.Kh2 Qxc3=)* 34...Kg8 35.Bxc5± *(35.Qe6+ Kh7=)*]

31.Kh2 Qd4 Inhibits Bf4.
[31...Rxc5? 32.Ba3 Kg8 33.Bxc5+-]

32.Rb3 -4.18/22
[32.Qb1 -2.39/21 Rc8 *(32...Qxc3 33.Qb8+ Ke7 34.Qxc7+ Ke6 35.f4=; 32...Qxe5+? 33.f4∓)* 33.Rg3 Qxe5 *(33...Qxc5 34.Qh7=; 33...Nxe5 34.Qf5∓)* 34.Qb7 Rxc5 35.Qa8+ Qe8 36.Qxa6]

32...Qxe5+
[32...Rxc5 33.Rb8+ Ke7 34.Rb7+]

33.Qxe5 Nxe5 Endgame KRB-KRN. Black is two pawns up. **34.Rb6** -5.06/21
[⌓34.Bb2 -3.32/21 Nd7 35.Ba3]

34...Rc6? -0.73/20
[34...Rxc5? perishes. 35.Ba3+-]
[34...Nc4-+ -5.06/21 and Black stays clearly on top. 35.Rxa6 Rxc5]

35.Rb8+ -4.61/20
[35.Bf4∓ -0.73/20 Rxb6 36.cxb6]

35...Ke7 36.Rb7+ -5.54/19
[⌓36.Bb2 -3.91/17 Nd7 37.Rb3]

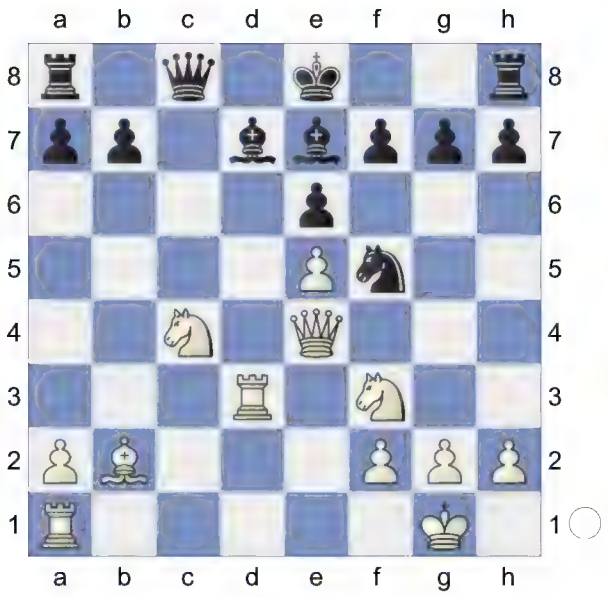
36...Nd7 Black is clearly winning. **37.Ba3 Ke6 38.Kg3 Nxc5 39.Ra7 Nd7 40.Kf4 g5+ 41.Kg4 Nf6+ 42.Kh3**

Weighted Error Value: White=1.10/ Black=0.69
42...Rc3+
0-1

63 **C02**
□ **cbev378** **2720**
■ **vinijr77** **2734**
Blitz 20.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

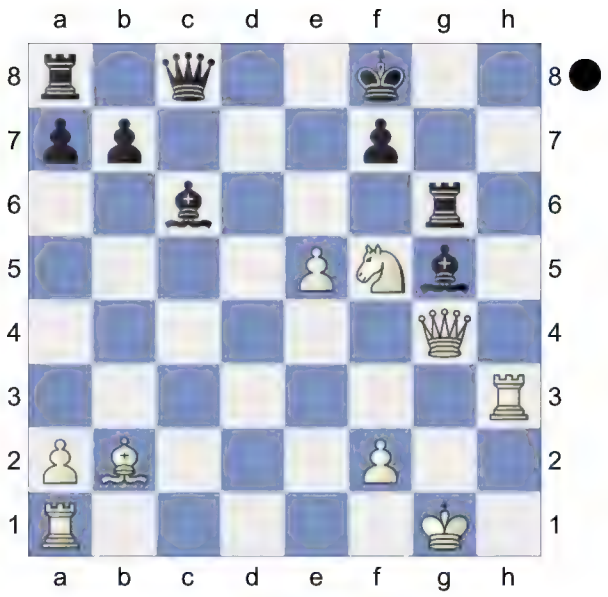
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Nh6 0.61/17
[7...Bd7!= 0.00/16 8.Re1 Nh6 9.Qe2 Be7 10.a3 Nf5 11.b4 Rc8 12.Bb2 0-0 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.cxd4 Be6 15.Rd1 g5 16.Nc3 Qd8 17.Rac1 f4 18.h3 Qd7 19.Nh2 Bf5 20.Qf3 Rcd8 21.Ng4 Qe6 22.Nxd5 Rxd5 1-0 (38) Czopor,M (2415)-Roberson,P (2429) London Mindsports GM 2022 (8)]
8.Qe2 0.16/17
[8.cxd4± 0.61/17 Nf5 9.Bxf5 exf5 10.Nc3]
8...Nf5N
[8...Bd7 9.Nbd2 dxc3 10.bxc3 Na5 11.Nd4 a6 12.N2f3 Nf5 13.Rb1 Nxd4 14.cxd4 Qc7 15.Ng5 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.Qxb5+ Qc6 18.Qd3 h6 19.Nh3 Nc4 20.Nf4 Rxa2 21.Qb3 Ra7 22.Nh5 b6 23.Qg3 0-1 (40) Swati,G (2089)-Dakshita,K (1656) IND-ch (Women) 48th 2022 (10) g6 24.Nf4 Be7 25.h4 Kd7 26.h5 g5 27.Ne2 Ra2 28.Nc3 Rc2 29.Ra1 Na5 30.Na4 Rc4 31.Nb2 Rxd4 32.f4 Re4 33.fxg5 Qc5+ 34.Rf2 Re1+ 35.Kh2 hxg5 36.Qf3 g4 37.Qxf7 Rxh5+ 38.Kg3 0-1 (40) Kaplanski,M (2089)-Gerull,C (1656) 34/513 Belgrad 1982 (10)]
9.Rd1 White has an edge. **9...Bd7** 0.44/18
[9...Be7= 0.08/18 should be considered.]
10.Nbd2 0.01/17
[10.Bxf5± 0.44/18 exf5 11.Nxd4 *(11.cxd4 Be6=)*]
10...dxc3 0.55/18
[Better is 10...Be7= 0.01/17]
11.bxc3± Be7 12.c4 -0.57/21
[12.Rb1!± 0.45/16 Qc7 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.Nf1]
12...Nb4 0.65/19
[12...Nfd4∓ -0.57/21 13.Qf1 0-0]
13.cxd5 -0.19/22
[White should play 13.Bxf5± 0.65/19 exf5 14.cxd5]
13...Nxd5 Hoping for ...Nf4. **14.Nc4**
[14.Ne4!?]
14...Qd8 1.13/21
[14...Qc7= -0.07/19 15.Bg5 *(15.Bxf5 Nc3∓* Double Attack*)* 15...Bxg5 *(15...Nc3 16.Qd2∓)* 16.Bxf5 *(16.Nxg5 Nf4=)* 16...Nc3]
15.Bb2 -0.12/20
[15.Bxf5± 1.13/21 Nc3 Double Attack 16.Qc2 Nxd1 17.Bd3]
15...Nf4= 16.Qe4 Nxd3 17.Rxd3 Qc8? 2.76/18
[17...0-0= -0.01/17 and Black stays safe. 18.g4 *(18.Qxb7 Qc8±)* 18...Nh6]

(Diagram)

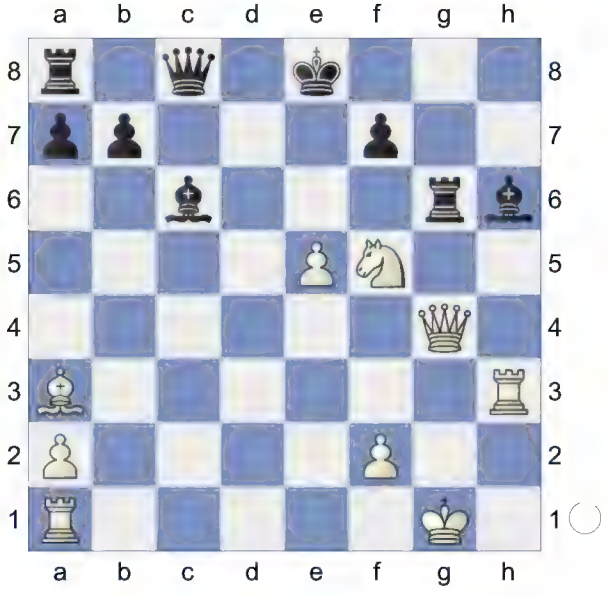


18.g4!+-
[18.Nd6+ Bxd6 19.exd6 Qc2 *(19...Qc6 20.Qxc6 Bxc6 21.Ne5±)* 20.Bxg7 *(20.Qxb7 0-0±)* 20...Nxg7=]
18...Bc6 3.73/21
[18...Nh6 2.25/18 was necessary.]
19.Qf4 g5? 6.68/20
[19...Bxf3 2.79/19 20.Rxf3 g5]
20.Nxg5 Rg8 21.h4 h6 22.gxf5 hxg5 23.hxg5
[23.Qg3 exf5 24.hxg5 *(24.Nd6+ Bxd6 25.exd6 f4±)* 24...Rh8∓ *(24...f4 25.Qxf4 Rh8 26.Kf1∓)*]
23...Bxg5 24.Nd6+ Kf8 25.Qg4?→ 0.74/19 White is out for blood.
[25.Qh2+- 7.17/20 is more deadly.]
25...exf5± 26.Nxf5 Ba3+ would now be deadly. **26...Rg6?** 6.82/22
[26...Bc1± 0.77/19 27.Qxg8+ Decoy Kxg8 28.Ne7+ *(28.Bxc1?* too greedy. *Qxf5 29.Rg3+ Kh7-+)* 28...Kg7 29.Nxc8 *(29.Rxc1 Qe6=)* 29...Bxb2]
27.Rh3? -0.55/24
[27.Rd6+- 6.82/22]

(Diagram)



27...Bh6? 5.11/28 A strong pair of Bishops. **28.Ba3++- Ke8** 9.52/21
[⌓28...Kg8 4.76/24 29.Qxg6+ *(29.Nxh6+ Kg7±)* 29...fxg6 30.Ne7+ *(30.Nxh6+ Kg7=)* 30...Kg7 31.Nxc8 Rxc8]



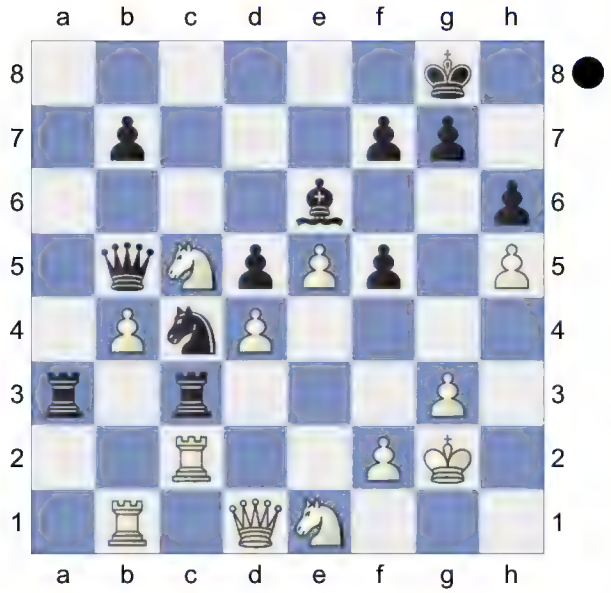
29.Qxg6! Remove Defender **29...fxg6 30.Nd6+ Kd7 31.Nxc8 Bf4 32.Nd6 Rg8 33.Rd1 Ke6 34.Nc4 g5 35.Rd6+ Kf5 36.Rf6+ Kg4 37.Rc3 Rh8 38.Ne3+ Kf3 39.Ng2+ Ke4 40.Nxf4 gxf4 41.f3+ Kd4 42.Bb2 Kd5**

43.Rd6+ White mates. **43...Kxe5 44.Rcxc6+ Kf5**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.82/ Black=1.20
45.Rd5#
1-0

64 **C02**
□ **Ignathor** **2713**
■ **mindSet2020** **2725**
Blitz 09.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** White has an edge. **9...h6 10.h5 Rc8 11.a3** -0.01/20
[11.Nbd2± 0.36/20 might be stronger.]
11...a6= 12.g3N
[12.b4 is more complex. dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nxb4 14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6
A) 16.Be3 Qc7 *(16...Qa5 17.Qg4 Qc7 18.Qg3 Nf5 19.Bxf5 exf5 20.Rad1 Rd8 21.Nd4 Nxd4 22.Bxd4 Rg8 23.Rc1 Qb8 24.Bb6 Rc8 25.e6 Bd6 26.Rxc8+ Qxc8 27.exf7+ Kxf7 28.Qxd6 Re8 29.Qg6+ Kf8 30.Bc5+ Qxc5 31.Rxe8#* 1-0 Dubreuil,J (2104)-Santos Flores,A (2230) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Jan Late blitz 2025 (3)) 17.Rac1 Qd7 18.Qf4 d4 19.Bd2 Nd5 20.Qg3 Bxa3 21.Qxg7 Ke7 22.Bg6 Rcf8 23.Ra1 Bb2 24.Bxf7 Kd8 25.Rab1 Bc3 26.Bxh6 Qxf7 27.Ng5 Qxg7 28.Bxg7 Bxe1 29.Bxf8 Bxf2+ 30.Kh2 Rxh5+ 0-1 (53) Laezee (2881)-FrenchKingD0M (2837) Blitz 2022;
B) 16.Rb1 Qa5 17.Qg4 Rc7 18.a4 Nc8 19.Bd2 Qc5 20.Rec1 Qe7 21.a5 Qd7 22.Rc2 N8a7 23.Rbc1 Rc8 24.Be3 Ra8 25.Bxa7 Rxa7 26.Nd4 Ba3 27.Qxg7 Rf8 28.Rxc6 bxc6 29.Rxc6 Be7 30.Bxa6 Rxa6 ½-½ (38) Zhigalko,S (2572)-So,W (2752) Titled Tue 5. Dec Early 2023 (10);
C) 16.Bd2 Nf5 17.Rab1 Qa7 18.Bxf5 exf5 19.e6 Bc5 20.exf7+ Kxf7 21.Qf4 Rhd8 22.Qxf5+ Kg8 23.Qe6+ Kh8 24.Bxh6 Bxf2+ 25.Kh1 Bxe1 26.Bxg7+ Kxg7 27.Qg6+ Kh8 28.Ng5 Rc7 29.Rxe1 0-1 (38) whereismate (2591)-Baidetskyi,V (2793) Blitz 2023]
12...Nf5 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.cxd4 Be6 15.Nc3 Be7 16.Kg2 0-0 17.Ne2 Na5 18.b4 Nc4 19.Nf4 a5 0.69/21
[19...Rfe8= 0.01/19]
20.Rb1 -0.01/25
[White should play 20.Bd2± 0.69/21]
20...axb4 21.axb4 Ra8 22.Nd3 -0.66/22
[22.Ng1= 0.01/20]
22...Ra2 23.Re2 Rfa8 24.Be3? -1.79/19
[24.Rxa2= -0.26/19 and White is okay. Rxa2 25.Nc5]
24...Qb5 -0.78/18
[24...f4!-+ -1.79/19 has better winning chances. 25.Nxf4 Bg4]
25.Nc1? -2.54/18
[25.Bf4∓ -0.78/18]
25...R2a3? -0.82/18
[25...Rxe2-+ -2.54/18 26.Qxe2 f4 *(26...Bxb4 27.Bd2=)* 27.Bxf4 Bg4

(27...Bxb4 28.Nd3=)]
26.Bf4∓ Rc3 0.01/18 Black is much more active.
[26...Bxb4 27.Nd3 R3a4 28.Bd2 Nxd2 29.Rxd2+-]
[26...Qe8∓ -0.91/18]
27.Nd3 -0.86/20
[27.Na2!= 0.01/18 Rca3 28.Nc1]
27...Raa3 -0.41/18
[27...Qe8∓ -0.86/20]
28.Nfe1∓ Nb6 -0.01/21
[Black should play 28...Qa6∓ -0.74/19]
29.Nc5= Bg5 1.11/21
[29...Rc4= -0.21/21 remains equal.]
30.Bd2 -0.01/18
[30.Bxg5± 1.11/21 hxg5 31.Rc2 Rxc2 32.Qxc2 *(32.Nxc2 Ra8±)*]
30...Bxd2 31.Rxd2 Nc4↑ Black has the initiative. **32.Rc2?** -7.22/20
[32.Rd3= 0.01/20]



32...f4! -1.40/23 **33.Rxc3∓ Rxc3 34.gxf4**

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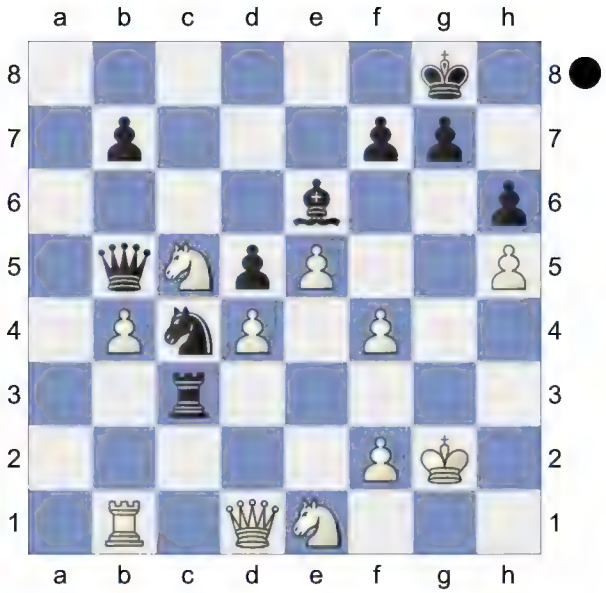
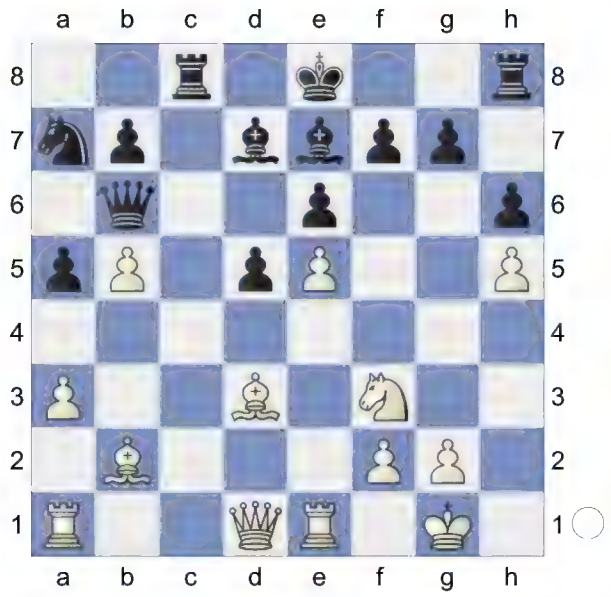


and Nxe6 should not be overlooked
34...Bf5 -0.37/19
[34...Bh3+!-+ -1.92/21 35.Kh2 Bf5]
35.Rb3? -6.79/22 White is weak on the light squares
[35.Ra1∓ -0.37/19]
35...Rxb3-+ Black is clearly winning.
36.Nxb3 Qxb4 and ...Nb2 should not be overlooked **37.Nc5 b6 38.Ncd3** -8.21/20
[⌓38.Nb7 -4.51/18 Be4+ 39.Kg3]
38...Qc3 39.Nc1 Qh3+ 40.Kg1 Be4 41.f3 Qg3+ 42.Kh1 Bf5 43.Qe2 -8.82/21
[⌓43.Ncd3 -4.48/23 Qh3+ 44.Kg1]
43...Qxf4 44.Nb3 Qh4+ 45.Kg2 Qxh5 46.Nd3
Weighted Error Value: White=0.90/ Black=0.66
46...Qg6+
0-1

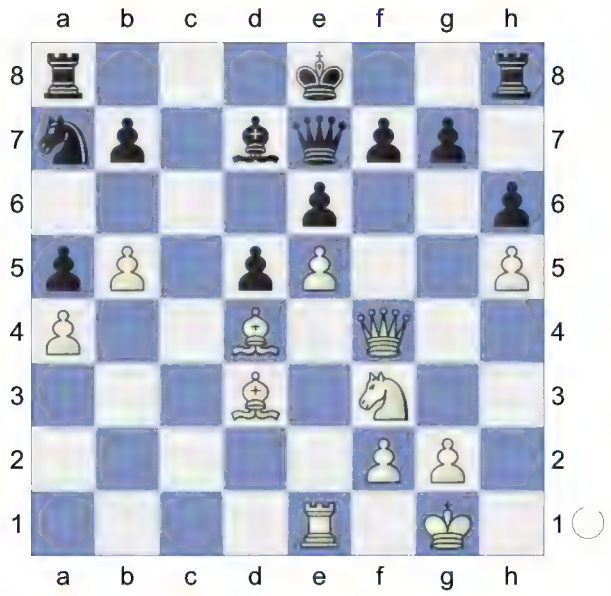
65 **C02**
□ **miki_train** **2712**
■ **kill_mms** **2670**
Blitz 27.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 0.44/19
[8...Nh6= 0.02/19]
9.a3 -0.19/19
[9.Nbd2± 0.44/19]
9...h6N 0.63/19
[Black should play 9...a6= -0.19/19 10.b4 Nge7 11.h4 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nd4 13.Bb2 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 Nc6 15.Qh5 g6 16.Qg5 Be7 17.Na4 Qd8 18.Qh6 Bf8 19.Qf4 Be7 20.Nc5 Bxc5 21.bxc5 Na5 22.Qh6 Nb3 23.Rad1 Rxc5 24.Qg7 Rf8 ½-½ (40) Klyatskin,M (1969)-Adorjan,A (1929) Luis Paucar Perez Memorial 199 (8.122)]
[9...Nge7 10.h4 h6 *(10...g6 11.b4 Bg7 12.b5 Na5 13.Nxd4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.a4 Nd5 16.Ba3 Qd8 17.Qf3 Qxh4 18.Nd2 Qf4 19.Qxf4 Nxf4 20.Ne4 Bxe5 21.Bd6 Bxd6 22.Nxd6+ Ke7 23.Nxc8+ Rxc8 24.Rad1 f6 25.Rd2* 0-1 (59) Gorodetzky,D (2492)-Andreikin,D (2729) Titled Tuesday intern op 17th Jan Early blitz 2023 (5)*)* 11.h5 a6 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nxb4 14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Bd2 Nf5 17.Rab1 Qa7 18.Bxf5 exf5 19.e6 Bc5 20.exf7+ Kxf7 21.Qf4 Rhd8 22.Qxf5+ Kg8 23.Qe6+ Kh8 24.Bxh6 0-1 (38) whereismate (2591)-Baidetskyi,V (2793) Blitz 2023]
[9...a5 10.h4 h6 11.h5 Nge7 12.Qe2 a4 13.Nbd2 dxc3 14.bxc3 Nf5 15.Rb1 Qa7 16.Bxf5 exf5 17.c4 Be6 18.Bb2 d4 19.Qd3 Bc5 20.Nh4 Ne7 21.Ndf3 Rd8 22.Rbd1 0-0 23.Bxd4 Bxd4 24.Nxd4 1-0 (40) Schut,H (2087)-Murthy,P (1838) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (7)]
10.b4!± a6 0.76/21
[10...dxc3± 0.39/20 might be stronger. 11.Nxc3 Nd4]
11.cxd4 -0.01/21
[11.Nxd4± 0.76/21 Nxd4 12.Be3 Pin *(12.cxd4? Qxd4 13.Ra2 Rxc1-+)*]
11...Nxd4= 12.Nbd2 -0.64/22
[12.Be3!= -0.01/20 Nxf3+ 13.Qxf3]
12...Ne7 0.55/20
[12...Bb5!∓ -0.64/22 13.Bxb5+ Nxb5]
13.Bb2 -0.47/19
[13.Nxd4!± 0.55/20 Qxd4 14.Nb3]
13...Nxf3+∓ 14.Nxf3 Nc6 0.36/18 Against Bd4
[14...Bb5∓ -0.50/20]
15.h4 White has compensation. **15...Be7**
16.h5 a5? 2.02/19
[16...Nb8= 0.25/19 and Black is okay.]
17.b5+- Na7 2.08/19
[17...Nd8± 1.33/18]

(Diagram)



18.a4! Qd8 2.58/17
[⌓18...Bb4 1.68/18 19.Re2 Bc3]
19.Qd2 1.41/18
[19.Nd4+- 2.58/17]
19...Bb4 2.31/19
[19...Bc5± 1.41/18 20.Red1 Rc7]
20.Qf4! Bxe1 2.33/22
[⌓20...b6 1.76/18]
21.Rxe1 aiming for Ba3. **21...Qe7**
22.Bd4 Ra8 2.09/20
[22...Qb4± 1.59/21]



23.Qe3 1.14/21
[23.Re3!+- 2.09/20]
23...Nc8± 24.Bc5 White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive. **24...Qd8 25.Qf4↑** Black is under strong pressure. **25...Nb6?** 9.29/20
[25...Ne7± 0.81/18]
26.Qg4 Qc7 27.Bd6 This pair of bishops is nice.
[Not 27.Qxg7 Qxc5 28.Qxh8+ Qf8+-]
27...Qc3
Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/ Black=1.19
28.Qxg7 Trapped Piece
1-0

66 **C02**
□ **OnlyChessVibes** **2711**
■ **Lifetimelearner01** **2765**
Blitz 11.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7! 8.Re1 Nh6 9.a3 White has an edge.
9...dxc3 0.62/18
[9...Rc8= -0.01/17]
10.Nxc3± Threatening b4. **10...Ng4**
11.Qe2 Bc5 12.Nd1N -0.67/17
[12.Rf1± 0.39/17 h5 13.h3 Nh6 14.Nb5 a6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Na5 17.Qe5 f6 18.Qxh5+ Nf7 19.Qg4 Kf8 20.Be3 Qd8 21.Qg3 Bb5 22.Nd4 Qxd6 23.Bxb5 Qxg3 24.fxg3 axb5 25.Nxe6+ Kg8 26.Nc7 Rd8 27.Nxb5 ½-½ (46) Piccoli,L (2220)-Serpa,R (2095) Niteroi op 3rd 2023 (6) Nc4 28.Bd4 Nfd6 29.Nxd6 Rxd6 30.Rfd1 Kf7 31.b4 b5 32.a4

bxa4 33.Rxa4 Rb8 34.Ra7+ Kg6 35.Bc5 Rdd8 36.Be7 Ra8 37.Rxa8 Rxa8 38.Rxd5 Ra1+ 39.Kf2 Ra2+ 40.Kf3 Ne5+ 41.Ke3 Rxg2 42.Bd6 ½-½ (46) Riha,A (2220)-4...bc6 (2095) HUN-ch 54th Budapest 2004 (6)]

12...f6!∓ Black has more active pieces. The white rooks are passive. **13.exf6 gxf6** 0.48/20

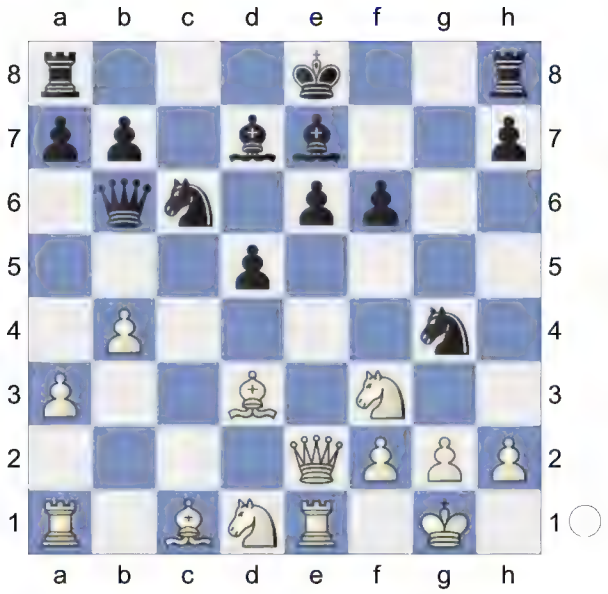
[13...Nxf6∓ -0.68/20 14.Nc3 *(14.b4 Nd4∓)* 14...Nd4 15.Nxd4 Bxd4]

14.b4 -1.00/18

[14.h3± 0.48/20 stays ahead. Nge5 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.Qh5+ Ke7 *(16...Kd8 17.Rxe5 fxe5 18.Qxe5=)* 17.Rxe5 *(17.Bxh7 Nd3∓)* 17...fxe5 18.Qxe5 *(18.Bxh7? Kd6-+)*]

14...Be7? 1.00/16

[14...Nd4∓ -1.00/18 15.Nxd4 Bxd4]



15.Ng5? -1.00/18 **Nce5∓ 16.Bb2** -1.74/18

[White should play 16.h3!∓ -0.65/20]

16...Nxd3? 0.01/20

[16...Rg8-+ -1.74/18 17.Bxe5 fxe5 *(17...Rxg5 18.Bf4=; 17...Nxe5 18.Qh5+ Kd8 19.Nf7+ Nxf7 20.Qxf7=)* 18.Qxg4 Rxg5 *(18...Bxg5? 19.Rxe5 Qd8 20.Bb5+-)*]

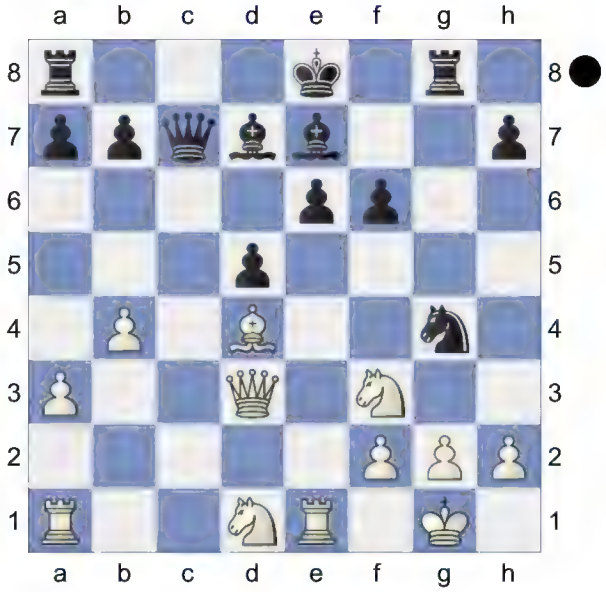
17.Qxd3= and h3 should not be overlooked **17...Rg8** 1.01/23

[17...Qd6= -0.01/19 18.Nf3 d4]

18.Bd4? -0.65/21

[18.Qxh7± 1.01/23 Rxg5 19.h4 Nxf2 20.Nxf2]

18...Qc7∓ Really sharp! **19.Nf3**



e5? 1.02/20

[19...Bd6!∓ -0.73/20 and life is bright. 20.g3 e5]

20.Qxh7± Be6 1.76/20

[20...Kf8± 0.69/21]

21.Bc5? -1.46/19 **b6?** 2.72/21

[21...Bd8∓ -1.46/19 22.Qd3 Qd7]

22.Bxe7?? -1.80/20

[22.Nd4!+- 2.72/21 was the only winning move. Bf7 23.Bxe7 Kxe7 24.Nf5+ Ke6 25.Qh3]

22...Qxe7-+ 23.Qc2 -2.36/16

[⌓23.Qh5+ -1.63/18 Kd7 24.h3]

23...Rc8 24.Qa4+ -2.62/17

[⌓24.Qd2 -1.97/18]

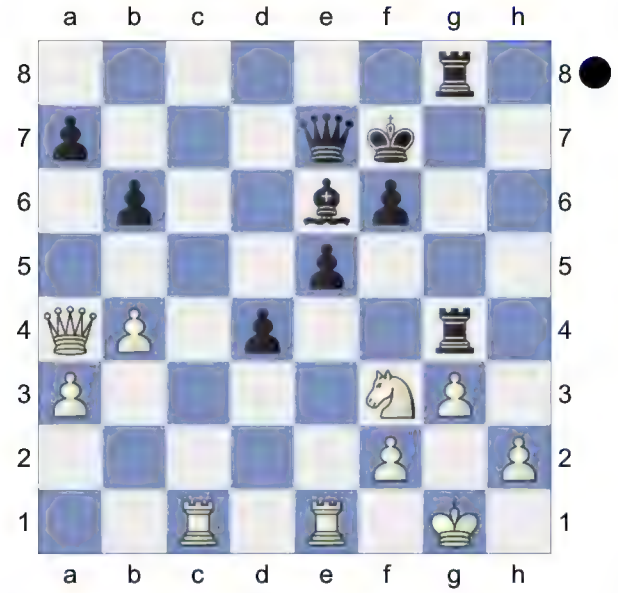
24...Kf7 -1.47/18

[24...Qd7-+ -2.62/17 25.Qa6 Nh6]

25.Ne3∓ d4 26.Nxg4 Rxg4

[26...Bxg4 27.Nxd4 Qd7 28.Qb3+

Kf8 29.Nf3±]
27.Rac1 Rcg8 -0.83/18
[27...Qd7-+ -1.64/18 28.Qxd7+ Bxd7]
28.g3



Bd5!↑ Keeping White busy. **29.Nd2 Rh8** -0.27/18
[Black should play 29...R4g7∓ -1.04/17]
Black converts the advantage convincingly. **30.Qc2** -1.35/19
[30.Qb5!= -0.27/18 remains equal. Ke6 31.f4]
30...Rgg8 And now ...Rxh2! would win.
31.Qc7? -9.89/20
[31.f3∓ -1.12/19]
31...Rc8 -4.01/20
[⌓31...Rxh2 -9.89/20 32.Ne4 Rgh8]
32.Qxe7+-+ Kxe7 33.f4? -6.15/19
[33.h4 -3.66/18]
33...Rxc1 34.Rxc1 Endgame KRB-KRN **34...Kd6 35.fxe5+ fxe5 36.Kf2 e4 37.h4 Rf8+ 38.Ke2 e3** (-> ...Rf2+) **39.Nf1 Bf3+ 40.Ke1 Be4 41.Rc4 Kd5** -34.79/29
[⌓41...Rxf1+ -#17/27 42.Kxf1 Bd3+ 43.Kg2 Bxc4 44.Kf3 Ke5 45.h5 Bd5+ 46.Ke2 Ke4 *(46...Bc4+ leads to mate. 47.Kf3 Bd5+ 48.Ke2 Ke4 49.b5 d3+ 50.Kd1 Bb3+ 51.Kc1 d2+ 52.Kb2 d1Q 53.a4 Qc2+ 54.Ka3 Bf7 55.h6 Qc3#)* 47.b5 d3+ 48.Kd1 Bb3+ 49.Kc1 d2+ 50.Kb2 d1Q *(50...d1B 51.Kc3 Kf3 52.Kd4 e2 53.Ke5 e1Q+ 54.Kd6 Kf2 55.h6 Bg4 56.Kc7 Qe7+ 57.Kb8 Bd5 58.a4 Qb7#)* 51.a4 Qc2+ *(51...Bxa4 52.h6 e2 53.h7 Qb3+ 54.Kc1 e1Q#)* 52.Ka3 Bf7 53.h6 Qc3#]
42.Rc7 Bd3 43.Rd7+ Kc4 44.Re7
Weighted Error Value: White=1.14/ Black=1.05
44...Rxf1#
0-1

67 **C02**
□ **genbu64** **2701**
■ **HELMUT_LANG** **2777**
Blitz 31.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nb4 0.81/22
[8...Nxd4= -0.01/21 9.Nbd2 Bc5]
9.Nc3N 0.10/22
[9.Be2± 0.81/22 Bb5 10.Nc3 Bxe2 11.Qxe2 *(11.Nxe2 Ne7 12.a3 Nbc6 13.Ng3 g6 14.Bg5 Bg7 15.Qd2 h6 16.Bf6 Bxf6 17.exf6 Ng8 18.Qf4 Qd8 19.Rac1 Nxf6 20.b4 a6 21.h4 Nd7 22.Rfe1 Qb8 23.Qg4 h5 24.Qg5 Qd6 25.Rc3 Kf8* 1-0 (40) Nepomniachtchi,I (2769)-Ruiz Castillo, J (2426) Titled Tue 20. Feb Early 2024 (6) *)* 11...Nc6 *(11...Ne7 12.Rd1 Rc8 13.Qb5+ Qxb5 14.Nxb5 Nec6*

15.Be3 Be7 16.Ne1 Kd7 17.Rdc1 f6 18.a3 Na6 19.Nd3 Nc7 20.Nxc7 Rxc7 21.Rc2 Rhc8 22.Rac1 Na5 23.Rxc7+ Rxc7 24.Rxc7+ Kxc7 25.Kf1 fxe5 26.dxe5 0-1 (43) Kalendovsky,J-Babula,M Brno KOLT-01 1968 (3)) 12.Bd2 Nge7 13.Na4 Qd8 14.Qb5 Rb8 15.Nc5 Nf5 16.Bb4 Qb6 17.a4 Qxb5 18.axb5 Nxb4 19.Rxa7 Nxd4 20.Rxb7 Rxb7 21.Nxb7 Nxf3+ 22.gxf3 Kd7 23.Rc1 Be7 0-1 Khanabiev,A (1988)-Neelotpal,D (2445) Martigny op 22nd 2013 (7)]

9...Nxd3= 10.Qxd3 Rc8 11.Bd2 White is slightly better. **11...Ne7 12.a4** 0.10/22

[12.Rfc1± 0.50/20]

12...Ng6 0.52/20

[12...Nc6= 0.10/22 should be considered.]

13.a5 -0.01/21

[13.h4!± 0.52/20]

13...Qa6 14.Qxa6 bxa6 15.Rfc1 Be7 16.Na4 -1.02/23

[16.Na2= -0.21/23 remains equal.]

16...Rxc1+∓ 17.Bxc1 Bxa4 -0.50/17

[17...0-0∓ -1.03/19]

18.Rxa4∓ Kd7 19.Kf1! Rb8 20.Ke2 Kc6 Black is more active. Black converts the advantage convincingly. **21.Kd3** -0.96/20

[21.Ra2∓ -0.47/18]

21...Nh4∓ 22.Nxh4 Bxh4 Endgame KRB-KRB **23.Ra3?** -3.75/21

[23.Ra1∓ -0.87/21]

23...Bxf2-+ 24.Rc3+ Kd7 25.Rc2 Bg1 -0.33/21

[25...Rb3+-+ -5.25/21 26.Rc3 Rb4]

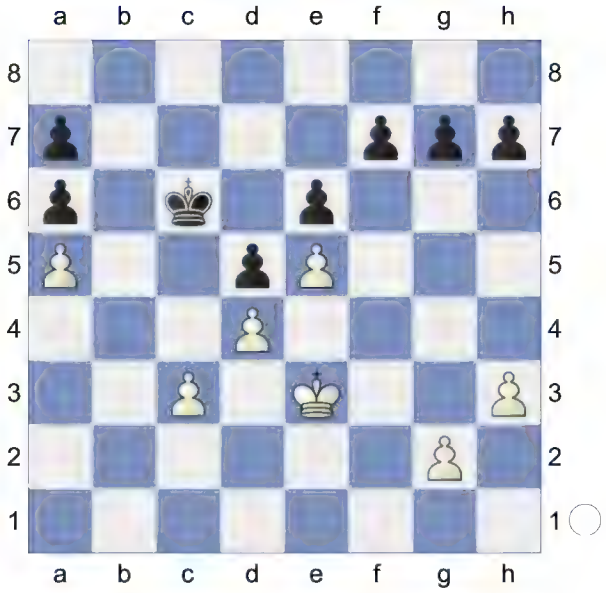
26.h3? -7.84/22

[26.Bd2∓ -0.33/21]

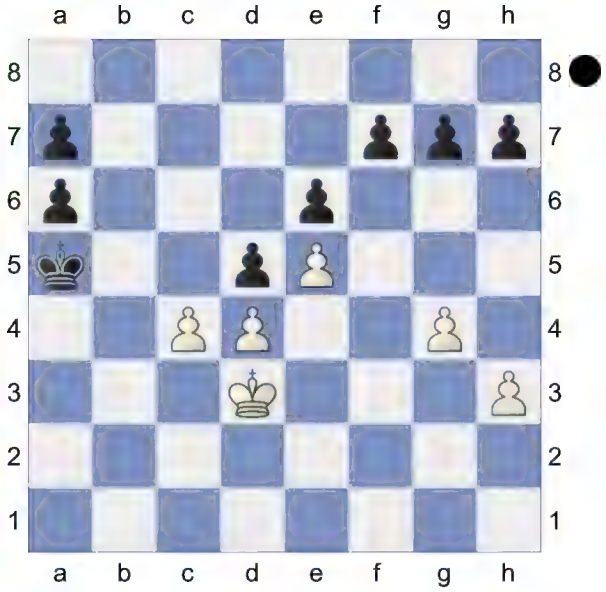
26...Rb4 Black is clearly winning. **27.Be3 Rb3+ 28.Rc3 Rxc3+**

[28...Rxb2? is the wrong capture. 29.Bxg1 Rxg2 30.Be3+-]

29.bxc3 Bxe3 30.Kxe3 KP-KP. Black is a pawn up. **30...Kc6**



31.Kd3 Kb5 32.g4 Kxa5 33.c4



dxc4+! 34.Kxc4 Kb6 35.d5 exd5+ 36.Kxd5 a5 37.h4 a4 38.Kc4 Kc6 and ...a3 would now be decisive **39.h5** Weighted Error Value: White=1.33/ Black=0.58

39...a3

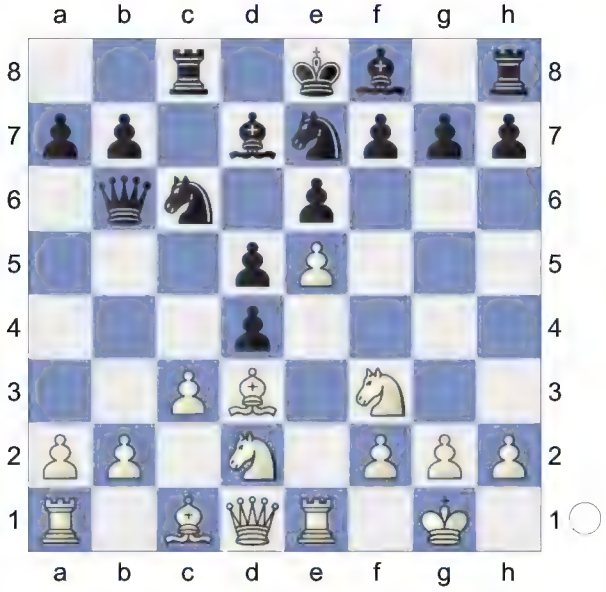
0-1

68 **C02**
□ **Kryvoruchko,Yuriy** **2689**
■ **Christiansen,Johan Sebastian**
[Jacimovic,Dragoljub]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8

[8...Nge7 9.h4 Rc8 *(9...h6* - 103/187) 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Ba3!? Qxc3 14.Nb3 Nxb3 15.Rxb3 Qa5 16.Qe2⩲]

9.Nbd2 Nge7 Diagram



10.Nb3N

[10.Rb1 - 150/(91)]

10...dxc3 11.bxc3 Na5

[11...Ng6 12.h4!? Qc7 13.Qe2 Be7 14.h5 Nh4 15.Nxh4 Bxh4 16.Qg4 Nxe5 17.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 18.Kxf2 Qxe5 19.Bd2 0-0 20.Re1 Qc7 21.Nd4±]

12.Be3 Qc7 13.Nxa5 Qxa5 14.Rb1 b6

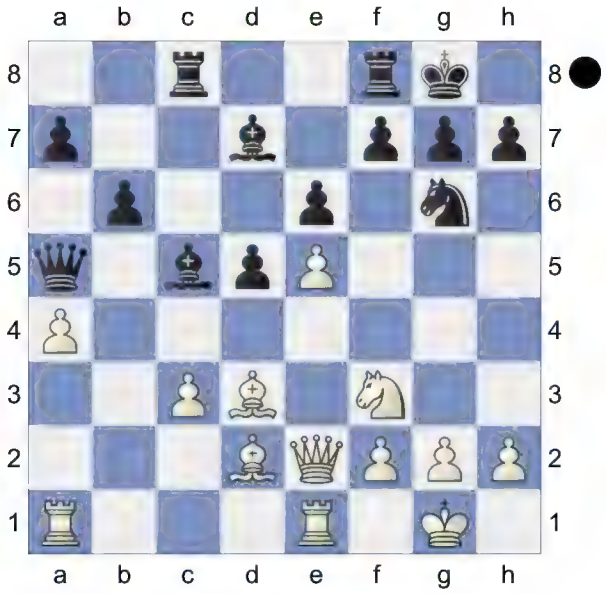
[14...Rc7 15.a4! Bxa4 *(15...Nc6 16.Bd2 Qc5 17.Qe2 Be7 18.Rec1⩲)* 16.Qe2 Nc8 17.Ra1 b5 18.Nd4 a6 19.Bd2 Qb6 20.Reb1±]

15.Qe2 Nf5?

[15...Ng6

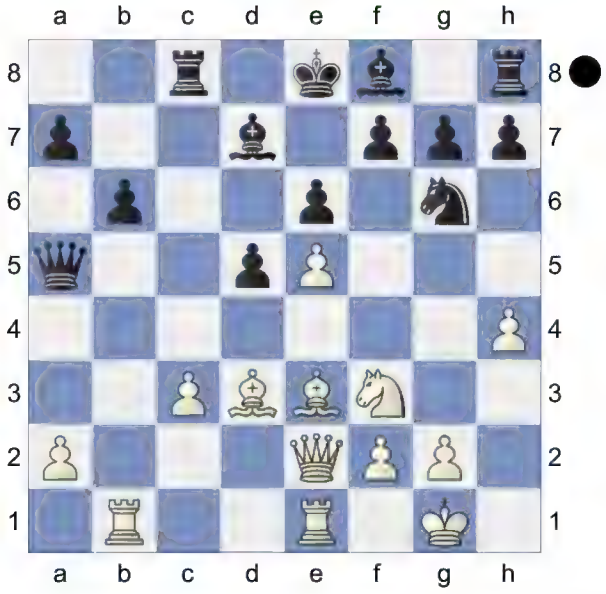
A) 16.Bd2 Qa4 17.Nd4 Be7 18.Qh5⩲;

B) 16.a4 Bc5 17.Bd2 0-0 *(17...Qxa4 18.Ra1 Qc6 19.h4⩲)* 18.Ra1 Diagram



d4! 19.cxd4 Bb4=;

C) RR16.h4 Diagram



16...Qa4! 17.c4! dxc4 18.Bc2 Qa5 19.Red1 Ba4 20.h5 Ne7 21.Qd2 c3 22.Qd4 Bc6 23.Qg4⩲ Perunovic,Milos]

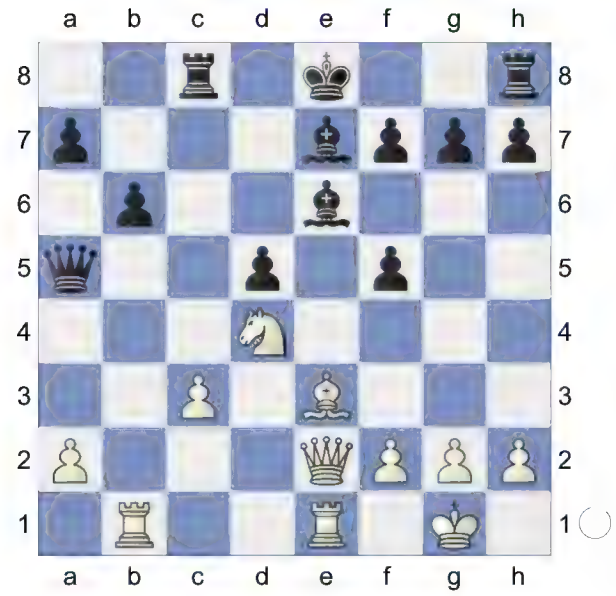
[15...Nc6 16.a4! Be7 17.Bb5 0-0

18.Bd2⩲]

16.Bxf5 exf5 17.e6!+- Bxe6

[RR17...fxe6 18.Ne5 Bd6 *(18...Qa4 19.Qh5++-)* 19.Qh5+ Kd8 20.Bg5+ Kc7 21.Nxd7 Kxd7 22.Qf7+ Kc6 23.Rxe6+- Perunovic,Milos]

18.Nd4 Be7 Diagram



19.Bg5! Qc5

[RR19...Bxg5 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Qxe6++- Perunovic,Milos]

20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Qxe6 Rc7 22.Rbd1 Rd7 23.Re5 h6 24.Qg6+ Kf8 25.Qxf5+ Ke8 26.Bxe7 Rxe7 27.Rde1 1-0

69 **C02**

□ **JustSonder** **2682**

■ **Kos1189** **2677**

Blitz 28.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.Nbd2 White is slightly better. **9...Nh6N** 0.73/18

[9...Nge7= 0.12/16 10.h4 *(10.Rb1 Ng6 11.Nb3 Be7 12.Nbxd4 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 a6 14.Qg4 Qc7 15.Bd2 0-0 16.Qh5 Bc5 17.Re3 Bxd4 18.cxd4 f5 19.Rh3 Kf7 20.g4 Bb5 21.gxf5 Bxd3 22.fxe6+ Ke8 23.Rxd3 Qc2 24.Rc1 Qxc1+* 1-0 (44) Schwarz,M (2418)-Souto,R (2040) 65/480 Ljubljana 1995 (1)*)* 10...h5 11.Ng5 g6 12.a3 Bg7 13.Ndf3 dxc3 14.bxc3 Qc7 15.Qe2 Na5 16.Rb1 a6 17.a4 0-0 18.Be3 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Bxb5 Bxb5 21.Rxb5 Nc4 22.Bd4 Rb8 23.Reb1 Nc6 24.g3 N6xe5 0-1 (55) Ker,A (2228)-Mao,D (2015) NZL-ch op 132nd 2025 (7)]

[9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Na5 *(10...Nge7 11.Rb1 Qc7 12.c4 Ng6 13.cxd5 exd5 14.Ng5 Nd8 15.e6 Nxe6 16.Qh5 Ngf4 17.Qxf7+ Kd8 18.Ndf3 Nxd3 19.Nxe6+ Bxe6 20.Bg5+ Be7 21.Qxe6 Nxe1 22.Qxd5+ Qd7 23.Bxe7+ Ke8 24.Qh5+ g6 25.Qe5* ½-½ (32) Merario Alarcon,A (2401)-Marin,M (2456) San Vicente del Raspeig 2024*)* 11.Rb1 Qc7 *(11...Qd8 12.Nd4 Rxc3 13.N2f3 a6 14.Ng5 g6 15.Qf3 Nh6 16.h4 Nc6 17.Nxc6 Bxc6 18.Bb2 Rxd3 19.Qxd3 Nf5 20.g3 d4 21.Ne4 Be7 22.Ba3 0-0 23.Bxe7 Qxe7 24.Nf6+ Kg7 25.h5 Rd8 26.Kh2* 1-0 (51) Shirov,A (2647)-Tejedor Fuente,E (2408) CAMPEONATO DE ESPAÑA INDIVIDUAL ABSOLU 2024 (9)*)* 12.c4 Nxc4 13.Bxc4 dxc4 14.Ne4 Bc6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qd8 17.Ne5 Iii Quickstarter Guide-French Advance: 4...Nc6 and 5]

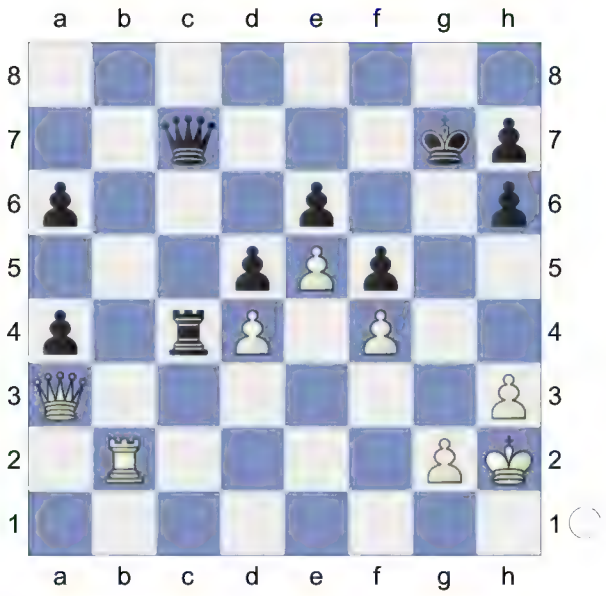
10.Nb3± dxc3 11.bxc3 Ng4 1.11/17

[11...Qc7⩲ 0.46/17]

12.Qe2 Na5? 2.49/19

[12...a6± 0.88/18]

13.Rb1+-
[13.h3 Nh6±]
13...Nxb3 14.Rxb3 Qc7 15.h3 Nh6 16.Bxh6 0.95/20
[16.Nd4!+- 1.99/17 is more deadly.]
16...gxh6± 17.Nd4 0.69/17
[17.Nh2± 1.27/19]
17...a6 1.97/17
[17...Bg7± 0.69/17]
18.Qh5 0.52/17
[18.Qg4+- 1.97/17]
18...Bg7± 19.Re3 0.07/15
[19.g4± 1.07/16]
19...0-0!= 20.Rg3 White has compensation. **20...Kh8 21.f4 f5** 0.43/19
[21...b5!= 0.01/20]
22.Kh2 0.01/17
[22.Qh4± 0.43/19 Rce8 23.Be2]
22...b5 23.Be2 Qd8 24.Ra3 Ra8
[24...Be8?! 25.Qf3 Qb6 26.Rb3±]
25.Qf3 Qe7 26.Rb3 Rac8 0.01/21
[26...Be8!∓ -0.42/18]
27.Qe3 Rg8 28.Rb1 Qa3 29.Qd2 -0.41/20
[29.Bh5= 0.01/21 feels stronger. Qe7 30.a4 bxa4 31.Rb7]
29...Qe7 0.01/21
[29...Bf8∓ -0.41/20 30.Rxg8+ Kxg8]
30.Bh5 Be8 0.53/21
[30...Rc4= -0.10/19]
31.Bxe8± Qxe8 1.55/20
[31...Rgxe8= 0.18/20 32.a4 Rc5 *(32...bxa4 33.Qa2±)*]
32.Qd3? -1.06/20
[32.a4!± 1.55/20 is necessary to keep the advantage.]
32...Rc4!∓ 33.Rb2 -1.70/19
[33.Rb4∓ -0.44/19]
33...Qf7 -0.86/19
[Black should play 33...h5-+ -1.70/19 34.Qf3 h6]
34.a3 -2.16/18
[34.Qe2∓ -0.86/19]
34...Bf8? -0.49/21
[34...h5-+ -2.16/18 35.Qd2 h4]
35.Rxg8+∓ Qxg8 36.Ra2 -1.43/19
[⌓36.Qf3 -0.75/19]
36...Qf7? 1.28/18
[36...Bc5∓ -1.43/19 stays on course. 37.Ra1 h5]
37.Qc2? -1.79/20
[37.a4!± 1.28/18 bxa4 38.Rb2]
37...Bc5-+ 38.Qd3 -2.02/18
[38.Ne2∓ -1.56/20]
38...Qe7 39.a4 -2.31/20 **Bxd4!**
[39...bxa4 40.Rb2 Ba7 41.Qb1=]
[39...Rxa4 40.Rxa4 bxa4 41.Qxa6 Bxd4 42.cxd4=]
40.cxd4 and axb5 should not be overlooked **40...bxa4** 0.01/24 Endgame KQR-KQR. Black is two pawns up.
[40...b4-+ -2.15/23 and ...a5 should not be overlooked 41.Rc2 Qc7]
41.Rb2= Qc7 Inhibits Rb8+. **42.Qa3 Kg7** 0.83/24
[42...Rxd4 43.Qf8#]
[42...Qd8!= 0.01/24 remains equal.]



Inhibits Qf8+. **43.Rb1** 0.01/22

[Better is 43.Qg3+!± 0.83/24 Kh8 44.Qh4]

43...h5 0.81/27

[43...Rxd4? loses. 44.Qg3+ Kf7 45.Qh4+-]

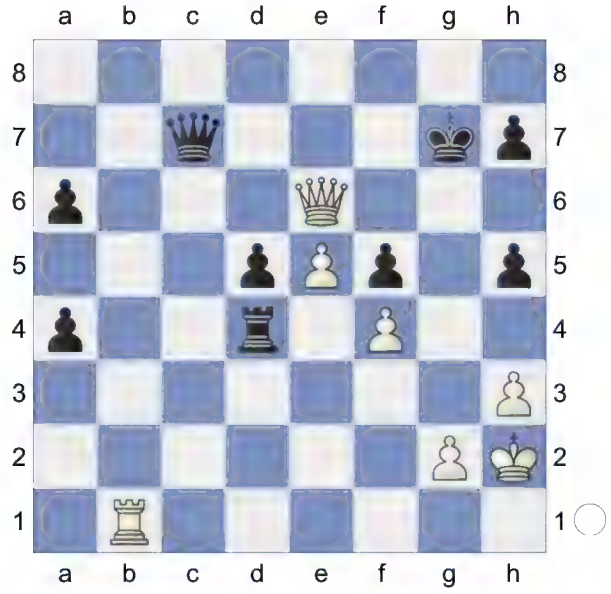
[43...Qd8= 0.01/22]

44.Qg3+± Kh8 45.Qg5 Repels Qd8

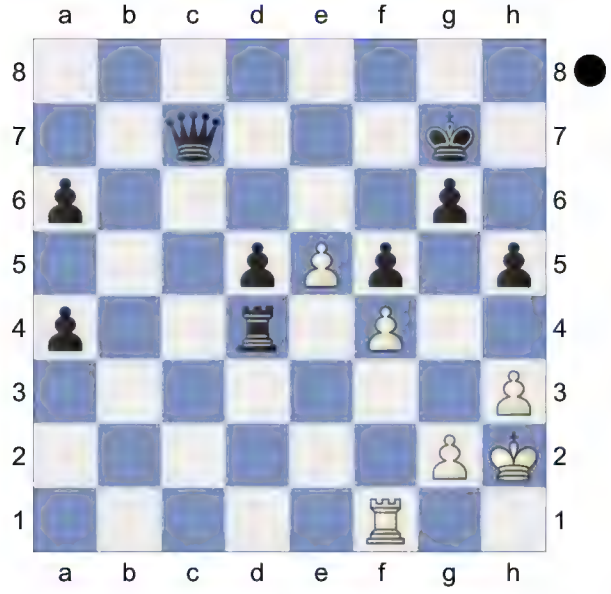
45...Rxd4? 33.29/24

[45...Qd7± 0.91/22]

46.Qf6+ Kg8 47.Qxe6+ Kg7



48.Qg6+?? -#16/25 hxg6 49.Rf1



Rxf4!! 50.Rxf4 Qxe5 KQ-KR **51.Kg3 g5 52.Kf3 Qxf4+ 53.Ke2 Qe4+ 54.Kd2 d4 55.Kc1 Qe3+ 56.Kb2 Qc3+ 57.Ka2?** -#2/6

[57.Kb1= 0.00/5 a3 58.Ka2 Qb2#]

57...a3 58.Kb1 A wild game.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.63/Black=0.53

58...Qb2#

0-1

70 **C02**

□ **flamaster7** **2674**

■ **AN202300** **2524**

Blitz 26.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 White is slightly better. **9...dxc3 10.Nxc3 a6! 11.a3** -0.01/17

[11.h5± 0.39/20 deserves consideration.]

[11.Bd2 Nd4 12.Ng5 Nef5 13.Bxf5 Nxf5 14.Qf3 Be7 15.Nxf7 0-0 16.Ng5 Bc5 17.Rf1 h6 18.Nh3 Qxb2 19.Qd3 Bb5 20.Nxb5 Qxb5 21.Qxb5 axb5 22.Nf4 Ra6 23.Rab1 Ng3 24.Rfe1 Ne4 25.Be3 Rxf4 0-1 (29) Pradeep,H (1894)-Berkes,A (2036) Heusenstamm Sparkassen op 11th 2024 (3)]

11...Qc7 1.18/19

[11...Nd4= -0.01/17 remains equal.]

12.h5 0.58/17

[12.Bd2± 1.18/19]

12...h6 1.09/21

[Black should try 12...Na5!± 0.58/17]

13.Bf4± White has strong compensation.

13...Qb6N 1.62/19

[13...Na5± 0.76/18]

[13...g5 14.Bh2 g4 15.Nd2 Rg8 16.Nf1 Bg7 17.Rc1 Qb6 18.b4 Qd4 19.Ne2 Qb6 20.Nc3 Qd4 21.Ne2 Qa7 22.Nc3 Rc8 23.Nd2 Bh8 24.b5 g3 25.Bxg3 Rxg3 26.bxc6 Rxd3 27.cxd7+ Kxd7 28.Qa4+ ½-½ (49) Klepej,J (2556)-Coles,J (2442) Bundesliga 2009-10 (4) Rc6 29.Nf3 Qc5 30.Ne2 Qxa3 31.Qf4 Nf5 32.Rxc6 bxc6 33.Ng3 Qc3 34.Rc1 Rxf3 35.gxf3 Bxe5 36.Rxc3 Bxf4 37.Nxf5 exf5 38.Ra3 Kd6 39.Rxa6 d4 40.Kf1 Kd5 41.Ke2 Bg5 42.Ra7 f6 43.Kd3 ½-½ (49) Kempinski,R (2556)-Brodowski,P (2442) Rubinstein Memorial 59th 2023 (4)]

14.b4 0.95/20

[14.Na4+- 1.62/19 Qa7 15.Rc1]

14...Na7 1.92/20

[14...Nd4± 0.95/20 was necessary.]

15.Rc1 Black is weak on the dark squares **15...Bb5?** 4.80/21

[15...Nec6± 1.59/18 is a better chance. 16.Be3 Qd8]

16.Na4 2.61/21

[⌓16.Nxb5 4.80/21 Nxb5 17.a4]

16...Qd8 17.Bb1 1.10/19

[17.Nc5+- 2.87/20 is more deadly. Nec6 18.Nxb7]

17...Bxa4 18.Qxa4+ Nec6 19.g3 0.90/19

[19.Nd4 1.44/20]

19...Be7 20.Kg2 0.48/20

[20.Bd2± 1.08/21]

20...Qd7 1.29/20

[20...Bg5!± 0.48/20]

21.Qb3 Rc8 1.69/18

[21...Nc8± 0.92/19]

22.Re2 0.70/19

[22.Be3+- 1.69/18]

22...Nd8 23.Rec2 Rxc2 24.Qxc2 0.63/20

[24.Bxc2± 1.05/21 Ndc6 25.Qd3]

24...Ndc6± 25.Qd3 Nb5 1.66/20

[25...Bd8± 0.69/20]

26.Nd2? -0.01/19

[Better is 26.Bd2!+- 1.66/20]

26...f5? 2.74/21

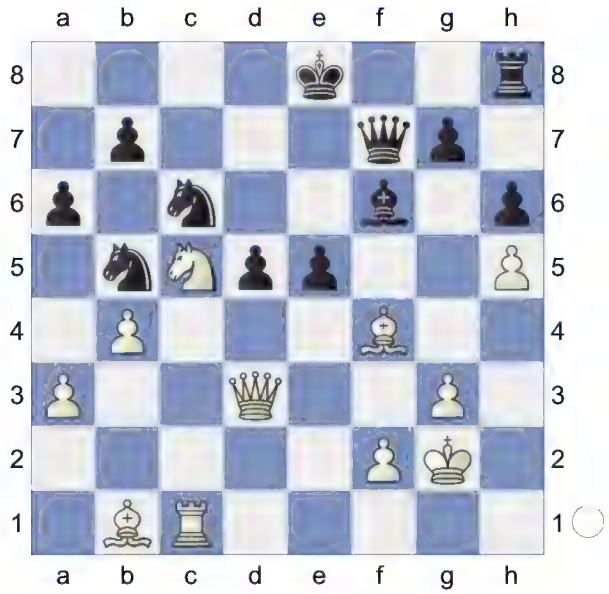
[26...Nbd4= -0.01/19]

27.exf6+- Bxf6 28.Nb3 Against e5

28...e5 3.68/21

[⌓28...Qf7 2.31/18]

29.Nc5 Qf7



30.Nxa6? 0.01/22 **Nbd4=** Excellent horsemanship. **31.b5** -0.67/20

[31.Qd1= 0.14/25 Kd8 *(31...bxa6? perishes. 32.Bg6+- Pin)* 32.Bg6]

31...exf4∓ 32.bxc6 bxc6 0.01/21

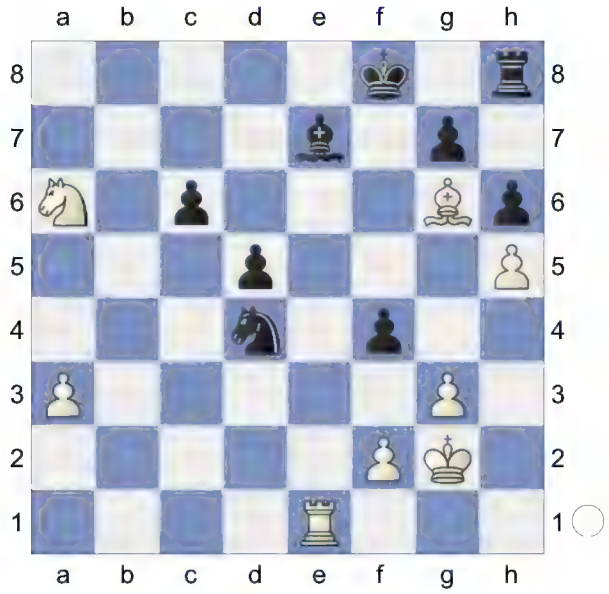
[32...bxa6 33.Re1+ Kf8 34.Qg6 f3+ *(34...Nxc6 35.Qxf7+* Remove Defender *Kxf7 36.Bg6+ Kg8 37.Re8#)* 35.Kf1 Qxg6 *(35...Nxc6 36.Qxf7+* Remove Defender *Kxf7 37.Bg6+ Kg8 38.Re8#)* 36.Bxg6=]

[32...f3+∓ -0.75/24 33.Kf1 bxc6 *(33...bxa6 34.Re1+ Kf8 35.Qg6+-)* 34.Qe3+ Qe7 35.Bg6+ Kd7 36.Nc5+ Kd6 37.Qf4+ Be5]

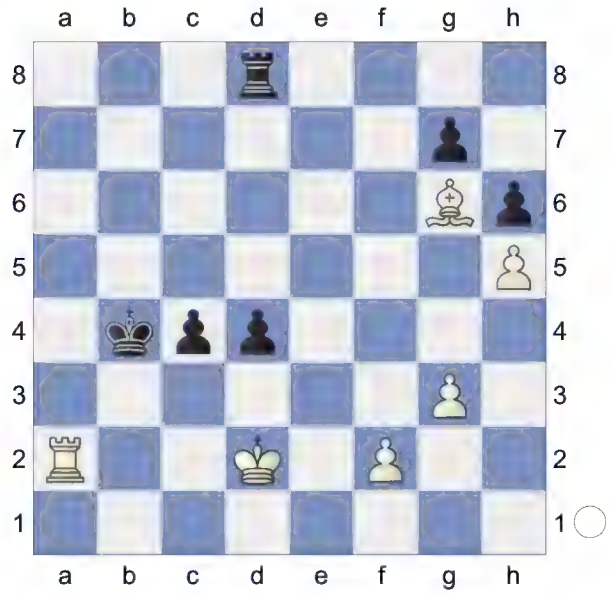
33.Re1+= Kf8⇄ Black is fighting back

[33...Kd7 34.Qd2 f3+ 35.Kg1 Qxh5 36.Nc5+ Kd6]

34.Qg6
[34.gxf4 is more complex. Qxh5 35.Qg6 Qf3+ 36.Kg1]
34...Qxg6 35.Bxg6 Be7? 15.39/24
[35...f3+= 0.01/28 36.Kh3 Ne2]



36.Nc5!+- Intending Nd7+ and mate. Back Rank **36...f3+**
[36...Nf5 37.Ne6+]
37.Kh3 Ne2 38.Ne6+ Kg8 39.Nf4 7.91/24
[⌓39.Rb1 #6/14 Bd6 40.Rb7 Ng1+ 41.Kg4 *(41.Kh2 Be5 42.Rd7 Bf6 43.Rf7 Bg5 44.Rxg7#)* 41...Rh7 42.Rd7 *(42.Bxh7+ Kxh7 43.a4 Ne2+-)* 42...Bf8 43.Rd8 Rh8 44.Rxf8#]
39...Bxa3 40.Nxe2 Bb4 41.Rb1 12.29/22
[⌓41.Nc3 #9/29 Bf8 42.Re8 Rh7 43.Bxh7+ Kxh7 44.Rxf8 d4 45.Ne4 *(45.Nd1 g6+-)* 45...c5 46.Kg4 *(46.Nxc5 g5+-; 46.Rf7 Kg8+-)*]
41...fxe2 42.Rxb4 Endgame KRB-KR
42...Kf8 43.Rb1 6.15/24
[⌓43.Rb8+ 14.21/26 Ke7 44.Rxh8]
43...Ke7 44.Re1 Kd6 45.Kg2 c5 46.Rxe2 c4 47.Kf3 and Re8 should not be overlooked **47...Kc5** 8.20/21
[⌓47...Rf8+ 4.39/23 48.Ke3 Kc5]
48.Ra2 d4 49.Ke2 Rd8 50.Kd2 Kb4



51.Ra5?? -22.56/22 Both players deserved the win here.
Weighted Error Value: White=1.06/ Black=1.07
51...Kxa5
0-1

71	**C02**
□ **intj736**	**2673**
■ **vinijr77**	**2745**
Blitz	19.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]	

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7! 8.Nbd2N -0.62/18
[8.0-0= 0.01/20]
[8.Be2 Nge7 9.Na3 *(9.Nc3 Nf5 10.Na4 Qa5+ 11.Bd2 Bb4 12.Bc3 b5 13.Nc5 Bxc3+ 14.bxc3 Qxc3+ 15.Kf1 Ncxd4 16.Rc1 Qa3 17.Nxd4 Nxd4 18.Qd2 b4 19.f4 Nxe2*

20.Kxe2 Bb5+ 21.Kf2 0-0 22.Rb1 Bc4 23.Qxb4 Qxb4 0-1 (54) dmitrij_IM (2947)-Rakhmanov,A (2859) Blitz 2022*)* 9...Ng6 10.0-0 Be7 11.Nc2 f6 12.Bd3 0-0-0 13.b4 fxe5 14.Bxg6 hxg6 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Ba4 17.Qd2 Kb8 18.Nd4 Rh5 19.Qd3 Rdh8 20.h3 g5 21.Be3 g4 22.Nf5 Bb5 1-0 (53) Nimzowitsch,A-Duras,O Game No. 23 23.Qa3 Qa6 24.Qxa6 Bxa6 25.Nxe7 Bxf1 26.Rxf1 g5 27.f3 gxh3 28.g4 R5h7 29.Bxg5 Re8 30.Kh2 Kc7 31.Rc1+ Kd7 32.f4 Rg7 33.Kxh3 Rxg5 34.fxg5 Rxe7 35.g6 Rg7 36.g5 Rxg6 37.Kg4 Rg8 1-0 (46) Borloy,Z-Ujtelky,M (ch) 75/83 Israel 1999 (19)]

[8.a3 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.0-0 Qxe5 11.Re1 Qd6 12.Nc3 a6 13.Qf3 Nf6 14.Bf4 Qb6 15.b4 Be7 16.g4 h6 17.Be5 Rc8 18.Rac1 Qd8 19.h4 Bc6 20.Qg3 Nd7 21.Bxg7 Rg8 22.Bxh6 Bxh4 0-1 (62) JohnBrondtHojlund (2917)-Kos1189 (2715) Blitz 2024]

[8.Nc3 Nxd4 9.0-0 Nxf3+ 10.Qxf3 Ne7 11.Rb1 Nc6 12.Qf4 a6 13.Bd2 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rfe1 Nc6 16.Rbd1 Bc5 17.Nb1 0-0 18.Be3 Be7 19.Bb6 Nb4 20.Nc3 Nxd3 21.Rxd3 Rac8 22.Red1 Rc6 ½-½ (66) Ceplecha,T-Hunwick,S BPCF v corr 1997 (19)]

8...Nxd4 0.05/18 Black is more active.

[8...Nb4!∓ -0.62/18 9.Bb1 Bb5]

9.Nxd4 -0.54/18

[9.0-0= 0.05/18]

9...Qxd4∓ 10.Nf3 Black is slightly better.

10...Bb4+ -0.14/20

[10...Qa4∓ -0.52/19]

11.Kf1= Qb6 12.a3 -0.62/18

[12.h4= -0.21/18]

12...Be7 -0.13/20

[12...Bc5∓ -0.62/18 13.Qe2 Ne7]

13.b4 Rc8 0.29/18

[13...Bb5∓ -0.41/18]

14.Be3 White has compensation.

14...Qd8 15.h4 Nh6 0.36/17

[15...h5= -0.01/21]

16.Rh3 -1.10/18

[16.Bxh6± 0.36/17 keeps the upper hand. gxh6 17.g3]

16...a6? 1.41/19

[16...Ng4∓ -1.10/18 17.Bd4 f5]

17.Kg1? -0.91/18

[17.Rg3± 1.41/19 keeps the pressure on.]

17...Nf5 0.16/18

[17...Ng4∓ -0.91/18 18.Bd4 h5]

18.Bxf5 exf5 Black is weak on the dark squares **19.Rg3 g6 20.Qxd5 Bc6 21.Qxd8+** -0.53/21

[21.Qb3= 0.25/20]

21...Rxd8∓ 22.Nd4 -0.70/19

[⌓22.Bh6 -0.34/18]

22...f4 -0.01/15

[22...Bxh4?! 23.Nxc6 bxc6 24.Rh3=]

[22...Ba4∓ -0.70/19 23.Nf3 0-0]

23.Nxc6!= fxg3 24.Nxd8 gxf2+ 25.Bxf2 Kxd8 Endgame KRB-KRB

26.Rc1 -0.47/23

[26.Rf1= -0.01/23]

26...Kd7!∓ 27.Kf1? -2.18/21

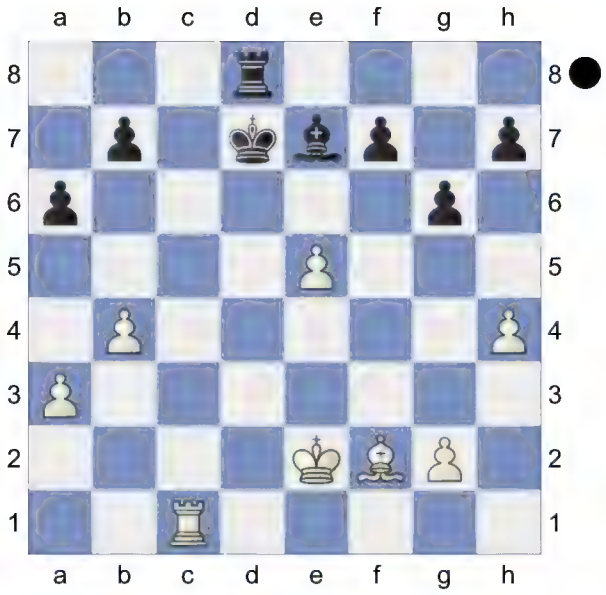
[27.e6+!∓ -0.37/20 Kxe6 *(27...fxe6 28.Rd1+ Ke8 29.Rc1=)* 28.Re1+ Kd7 29.Rd1+ Kc8 30.Rc1+ Kb8 31.Bg3+ Ka7 32.Rc7]

27...Rd8 -1.00/22

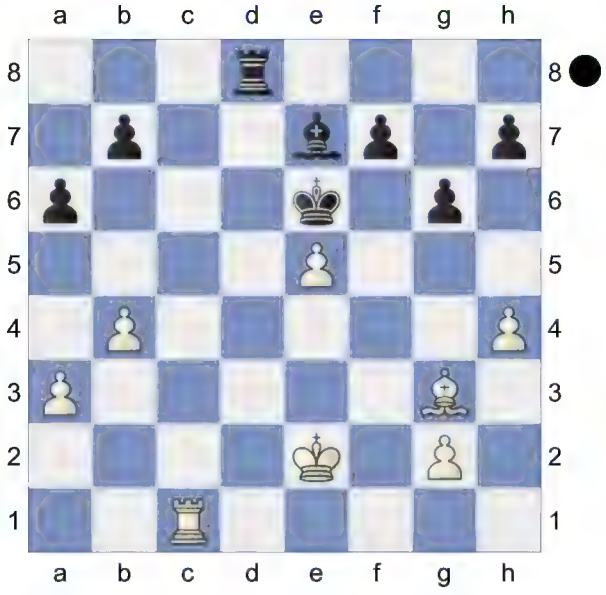
[27...Rc8!-+ -2.18/21 and Black stays clearly on top. 28.Rxc8 Kxc8]

28.Ke2

(Diagram)



Ke6 -0.76/18
[⌓28...h5! -1.14/20]
29.Bg3 -1.86/20
[29.g4∓ -0.76/18 was forced.]



29...a5? -0.04/17 **30.Rc4?** -3.28/21
[30.bxa5= -0.04/17 and White stays safe. Bxa3 31.Ra1]
30...axb4-+ 31.axb4 b5? -0.10/18
[31...Rd5-+ -3.34/19 Strongly threatening ...h5. 32.Rc8 h5 *(32...Bxb4 33.Bf4∓)*]
32.Rc6+= Kd7 33.Rb6 Bxb4 34.Rxb5 Be7 35.Rb7+ Ke6 36.Rb6+ Kf5 37.Rb3 Re8 38.Rf3+ Ke6 39.Ke3 -0.53/21
[39.Rb3= -0.09/19 is more appropriate.]
39...Ra8∓ 40.Kf2 -0.70/22
[⌓40.Be1 -0.33/23]
40...Bc5+ -0.12/25
[40...Ra4∓ -0.70/22 41.Ke2 Bxh4 42.Bxh4 Re4+ *(42...Rxh4 43.Rf6+ Ke7 44.Kf3∓)* 43.Kf2 Rxh4]
41.Kf1= Ra1+ 42.Ke2 Ra2+ 43.Kf1 Be7 44.Rd3 h5 45.Kg1? -3.87/26
[White should try 45.Rb3∓ -0.38/22]
45...Ra1+? -0.11/23
[Black should play 45...Ra4-+ -3.87/26 46.Kf2 Bxh4 47.Rd6+ Kf5 48.Bxh4 Rxh4]
46.Kh2 Ra2 47.Kh3 Re2 48.Rf3 Re4 49.Ra3? -35.41/31
Weighted Error Value: White=0.87/ Black=0.66
49...Bxa3
0-1

72 **C02**
□ **Jones,G** **2670**
■ **Iskusnyh,Sergei** **2473**
Titled Tuesday 13th Oct blitz (4)
[John Watson]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 Versus ...Ng6
9...Nf5?!
[9...dxc3 10.Nxc3 a6 prepares ...Nd4 or in some cases ...Qa7 *(10...Nd4?? 11.Nxd4 Qxd4 12.Nb5)* . Then 11.Be3!? *(11.Na4 Qa7 12.Be3 d4 13.Nxd4 Nd5! 14.Nf3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Be7∞; 11.Bd2 Nd4 12.Rb1)* 11...Qb4!? *(11...d4 12.Nxd4*

Nxd4 13.Be4 Nec6 14.Bxc6 Bxc6 15.Bxd4 Qc7=) 12.Rc1 *(12.g3 Ng6 13.a3 Qg4 14.Be2 Qf5 15.Bd3 Qg4 16.Be2=)* 12...Qg4 yields another obscure position which is hard to assess.]

10.Bxf5!

[10.g4? Nh6!]

[10.Nbd2?! dxc3 11.bxc3 Qc7?! *(11...Bc5! 12.Rf1 Na5 13.Rb1 Qd8∓)* 12.Nb3 *(12.Rb1!)* 12...Be7 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.Qxd5 Be6 15.Qd1 Rd8∓ Mamedov,R (2654)-Erigaisi,A (2559) Lichess.org INT 2020]

10...exf5 11.cxd4 Be6 12.Nc3

This is a fairly standard French position except that White has more of his usual moves in (including Re1 and h4).

12...h6 13.a3!? Expanding on the queenside. White's other standard plan is Ne2-f4 and perhaps h5. Here he might use the order

[13.Re3 Be7 14.Ne2 0-0 15.Nf4±]

13...Be7 14.b4 Rc8!?

[14...0-0]

15.Na4 Qb5

[15...Qd8 16.h5 0-0]

16.Bd2 b6?! Weakening.

[16...0-0 is solider, although White still looks better after 17.h5]

17.Rc1

[17.Nc3 Qc4 18.Ne2 is also promising.]

17...0-0 18.Nc3 Qd3

[18...Qc4 19.Ne2 Qa6 20.Qb3 Qb7 21.Qd3±]

19.Re3 Qc4 20.Be1!?

[20.Ne2!]

20...Nb8 21.h5 f4!?

[21...Qc6 22.Ne2 Qd7 23.Rec3 a6]

22.Ne2!?

[22.Re2!±]

22...fxe3 23.Rxc4 exf2+ 24.Bxf2 Rxc4

This looks dynamically balanced, with which assessment my engine concurs.

25.Nf4 Rfc8 26.Kh2 Rc1 27.Qd3 R1c3

[27...R8c3 28.Qb5 Bd7 29.Qe2 R1c2 30.Qf1 Rxf3!? *(30...Be6=)* 31.gxf3 Bh4 32.Nh3 Bxf2 *(32...Bxh3?? 33.Qd3)* 33.Nxf2 Nc6 34.Kh1 Rc4 35.Ng4 Be6=]

28.Qb5 Bf8?

[28...Rxa3]

29.Nh4! R3c6 30.Nxe6 fxe6 31.Ng6 Nd7 32.Qa6 Rc2

[32...R8c7 33.Qe2! and White will exploit the weakness on e6 and kingside vulnerability with Nf4, Qg4, etc.]

33.Qxa7 R2c7 34.Qa4 Kf7 35.Bh4 Kg8 36.Qd1 Rc2 37.Qg4 Kf7 38.Nf4 R8c6 39.Nxe6! Rxe6 40.Qf5+ Nf6 41.Qxc2

1-0

73 **C02**

□ **Jones,G** **2670**

■ **Erigaisi,Arjun** **2559**

Titled Tuesday 20th Oct blitz (9)

[John Watson]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7**

The most popular move, although the flexible 8...Rc8 is also seen.

[And 8...dxc3 9.Nxc3 is not necessarily bad, but very dangerous for Black, as shown by is not necessarily bad, but very dangerous for Black, as shown by Nb4 10.Be3 Bc5 11.Bxc5 -0.07/26 *(11.Na4± 0.39/26* is superior. *Bxa4 12.Qxa4+ Nc6 13.Bxc5 Qxc5*

14.Qg4) 11...Qxc5= 12.Rc1 -0.49/24 *(12.Bb1!=* -0.07/26 *)* 12...Qb6 0.48/26 *(12...Nxd3!∓* -0.49/24 *13.Qxd3 Ne7)* 13.Bb1± Ne7 14.Ng5!? -0.28/22 *(14.a3±* 0.49/22 *)* 14...Ng6? 2.41/23 *(14...h6=* -0.28/22 *15.Nf3 Nbc6)* 15.Qh5+- Nc6 16.Nxd5! exd5 17.e6 0-0-0 18.Nxf7 Nf4 19.exd7+ Rxd7 20.Qf5 Rf8 21.Nd6+ Kc7 22.Qxf8 Nd3 23.Ne8+ 8.17/20 *(⌓23.Bxd3* #16/18 *a6 24.Qc8+ Kxd6 25.Bf5 Re7 26.Re6+ Rxe6 27.Qxe6+ Kc7 28.Qc8+ Kd6 29.Qd7+ Ke5 30.Qe6+ Kf4 31.g3+ Kg5 32.h4+ Kh5 33.Bg4#)* 23...Kd8 24.Bxd3 1-0 Ehlvest, J (2517)-Rathanvel,V (2445) chess.com INT 2020 1-0 Ehlvest, J (2517)-Rathanvel,V (2445) chess.com INT 2020]

9.h4 The position is equal. **9...Rc8** A flexible move.

[9...Nf5?! 10.Bxf5! is seen in this month's game Jones-Iskusnyh is seen in this month's game Jones-Iskusnyh]

[9...h6 has been played several times, both preventing Ng5 and anticipating that after h5, White won't be able to weaken Black's kingside with h6. For example: has been played several times, both preventing Ng5 and anticipating that after h5, White won't be able to weaken Black's kingside with h6. For example:

A) 10.h5

A1) 10...a6 11.Bc2 -0.37/22 *(11.Nbd2!±* 0.40/21 *)* 11...dxc3∓ 12.Nxc3 Qc7 0.28/20 *(*Black should play *12...Qb4!∓* -0.37/21 *)* 13.Bf4= b5?! 0.74/23 *(13...Rc8=* 0.26/23 might be stronger. *)* 14.Rc1± Hector,J (2614)-Karlsson,T (2293) Sweden 2008 Hector,J (2614)-Karlsson,T (2293) Sweden 2008;

A2) 10...Rc8 11.Bc2 dxc3 12.Nxc3 d4?! 0.50/25 Inhibits Bc1-e3. *(* Black has decent play after Black has decent play after *12...Qb4!?=* -0.29/24*;* or *12...Na5)* 13.Na4 -0.04/26 *(13.Ne4!±* 0.50/25 *Nd5 14.Bb3)* 13...Qc7!= ...Ne7-d5 would now be deadly. 14.Be4 Nd5= 15.Bxd5?! exd5 16.Nxd4 Nxd4 17.Qxd4 Qc4∓ Hector,J (2537)-Roiz,M (2680) Helsingor 2008;

B) 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Na5 *(11...Qa5!?* 0.54/20 11...Ne7-c8 0.10*; 11...Nc8!?)* 12.Nb3 Nc4 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Qe2 *(14.Nfd4∞)* 14...Nc8 15.Bf4 -0.72/21 *(15.Nbd2∓* -0.33/21 *)* 15...N8b6∓ Lopez Gracia,F (2302)-Villuendas Valero,A (2311) Zaragoza 2017 Lopez Gracia,F (2302)-Villuendas Valero,A (2311) Zaragoza 2017]

[9...dxc3 10.Nxc3 a6 is discussed in the notes to this month's game Jones-Iskusnyh is discussed in the notes to this month's game Jones-Iskusnyh]

10.Nbd2

[10.a3 -0.13/23 10.Nb1-d2 0.29

A) 10...g6 11.Nbd2 *(11.h5* -0.69/19 11.b2-b4 0.21 *gxh5 12.Bc2 Rg8)* 11...dxc3 12.bxc3 Bg7 13.Nb3 Qc7 14.Bf4 0-0 15.Nbd4 Na5 16.Qe2 Nc4 17.h5 h6! 18.hxg6 fxg6 19.Bg3∞;

B) 10...a6= -0.13/23;

C) 10...a5 0.55/24 11.b4 -0.11/20 *(11.h5!±* 0.55/24 *h6 12.Bc2±; 11.Bc2 dxc3 12.Nxc3)* 11...dxc3= 12.Nxc3 aiming for Nc3-a4. axb4

13.axb4 -0.47/19 *(13.Rb1; 13.Be3= 0.00/21 was preferrable. Qd8 14.Nb5)* 13...Nxb4∓ 14.Nb5?? -3.76/23 *(14.Be3∓ -0.46/21 Qd8 15.Rb1)* 14...Bxb5-+ 15.Be3 d4 *(15...Qc6 16.Nd4 Nxd3 17.Nxc6 Nxc6-+)* 16.Bxd4 Qc6-+ Donatti,A (2193)-Kislov,O (2249) chess.com INT 2020]

10...dxc3

[10...Nf5!?]

11.bxc3 Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 -0.22/23

[13.Ba3!± 0.60/22 Qxc3 *(13...Nec6 14.Bxf8 Kxf8 15.c4 dxc4 16.Bxc4 Ne7 17.Bd3 Bc6 18.Ne4 Bxe4 19.Bxe4 Nec6 20.Qd3 h6 21.Qc3 Ne7 22.Qe3 Nec6 23.Rec1 Qe7 24.Rc5 Rd8 25.Rbc1 g6 26.Qc3 Qc7 27.h5 g5 28.Nh2* 0-1 Schwarz, M (2430)-Modern Ibd7 (2387) Baku FIDE GP 2008 (5) *)* 14.Nb3∞]

13...Nec6? 0.72/21

[13...Nxb3= -0.22/23 14.Qxb3 Qxc3]

14.Nbd4?N -0.25/22

[14.Nxa5!± 0.72/21 Nxa5 *(14...Qxa5 15.Rxb7)* 15.Ng5!+- h6 16.Qh5 Tactical Exercises-Jones,G]

14...Nxd4= 15.cxd4 Strongly threatening Nf3-g5. **15...Be7** 1.21/20

[15...h6!∓ -0.31/22]

16.Bg5? -0.32/25

[White must play 16.Ng5!± 1.21/20 Qd1-h5 is the strong threat. Bxg5 1.15/20 *(16...Qc3± 0.69/20)* 17.Bxg5±]

16...Ba3!? 0.79/20

[16...Qd8∓ -0.32/25 keeps the upper hand. 17.Bd2!? h6! Inhibits Nf3-g5.]

17.h5 -0.14/19 White is more active.

[17.Bxh7!± 0.79/20 Rxh7 1.75/19 *(17...Nc4± 0.70/24 18.Bd3 b5; 17...b5 18.Qe2)* 18.Qd3±]

17...h6 18.Bf4 a6 19.Kh2 -0.38/22

[19.Nd2= 0.00/24]

19...b5 20.Nh4

[20.Ng1! Qc3

A) 21.Bxb5!? Bxb5 *(21...axb5 22.Re3±)* 22.Re3∓;

B) 21.Ne2]

20...Qc3! 21.Bf1 -1.16/24

[21.Bxb5!∓ -0.41/20 Bxb5 *(21...axb5 22.Re3=)* 22.Re3]

21...Qc2?! -0.24/21

[21...Be7!∓ -1.16/24 22.Rc1 Qb4 23.Rxc8+ Bxc8]

22.Qg4 Kf8 0.57/24

[22...Bf8∞ -0.04/22]

[22...Qxa2? 23.Qxg7 Rf8 24.Ra1+- *(24.Bxh6 Qxf2 25.Bg5 Rc3+-)*]

[22...Qxf2? 23.Rbd1+- *(23.Qxg7? Qxh4+ 24.Kg1 Qxf4-+)*]

23.Qf3?! -0.99/21

[23.Rbd1!± 0.57/24 stays ahead.]

23...Rc3∓

[23...Qxa2? 24.Ra1 Qb2 25.Rxa3+- *(25.Qxa3+ Qxa3 26.Rxa3 Nc4+-)*]

24.Be3 Black must now prevent Nh4-g6+. **24...Ke8** -0.40/23

[24...Qxa2 25.Ra1 *(25.Ng6+ Kg8+-)* 25...Qc2 26.Ng6+ Kg8 27.Re2+- *(27.Nxh8 Be8±)*]

[24...Kg8!∓ -0.95/24 25.Qf4 Nc4 *(25...Qxa2 26.Ra1=)* 26.Bxc4 Rxc4 *(26...dxc4 27.Qf3=)*]

25.Qg4∓ Hoping for Re1-c1! **25...Rg8** 0.00/22

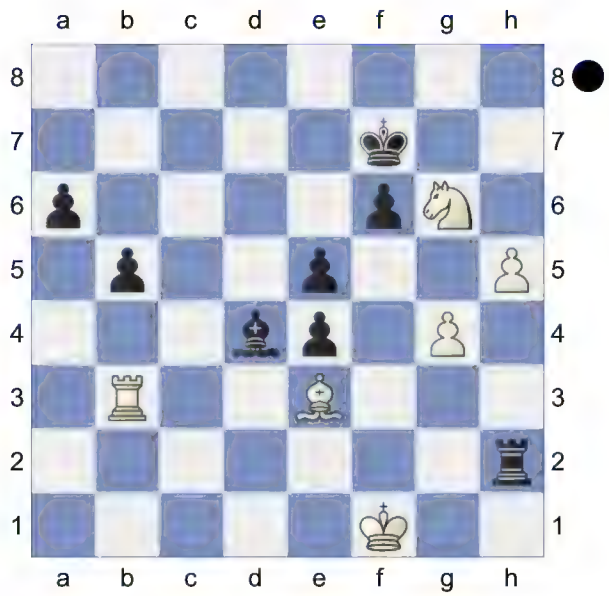
[25...Qxa2 26.Qxg7 Rf8 27.Ra1+- *(27.Qxh6 Qc2+-; 27.Bxh6 Qxf2 28.Qg4 f5=)*]

[25...Nc4!∓ -0.39/23 26.Bxc4 *(26.Qxg7 Qh7±)* 26...Rxc4 27.Qxg7 Qh7 28.Qxh7 Rxh7]

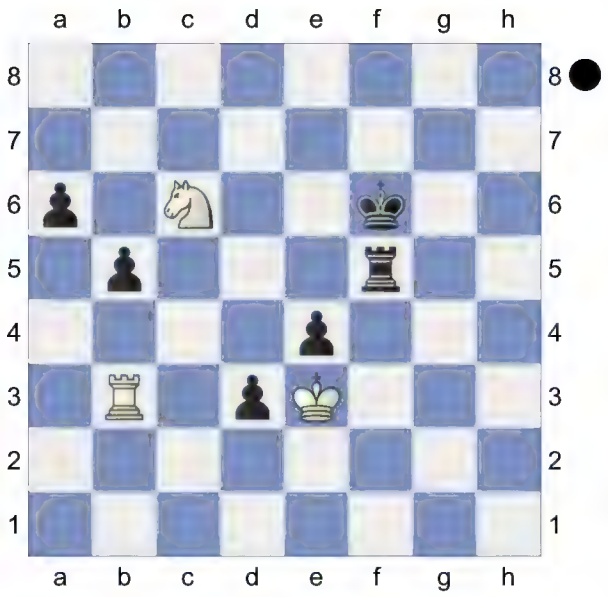
26.Be2 -0.71/24

[26.Bxh6 Nc6 27.Rbd1 *(27.Bxg7?*

Qh7-+)]
26...Nc4↑ Black is on the roll.
[26...Qxa2?! 27.Ra1 *(27.Bxh6 Nb3∓)* 27...Qc2 28.Bxh6=]
27.Bxh6 Qe4 28.Qxe4 dxe4 29.Bg5 Bc6∓ 30.Rb3 Rxb3 31.axb3 Na5 32.Bd1? -1.62/23
[32.Rb1∓ -0.76/24 Bb4 33.g3]
32...Bd5-+ 33.Bc2 -2.92/22
[⌓33.f3 -1.66/24]
33...Bb4 Black is winning now, but from here on out, I'll just point out a few of the blunders and missed wins by both sides. I find these games that are settled purely by the clock depressing. Black is winning now, but from here on out, I'll just point out a few of the blunders and missed wins by both sides. I find these games that are settled purely by the clock depressing.
[33...Nxb3!-+]
[33...Bxb3 34.Bxe4 Kd7 35.f4=]
34.Re2 -3.21/22
[34.Rb1 -2.14/21 keeps fighting.]
34...Nxb3? -1.20/22
[34...Bc3-+ -3.21/22 has better winning chances. 35.Bxe4 Bxe4 *(35...Bxb3 36.f4∓; 35...Nxb3 36.Bxd5 exd5 37.e6=)* 36.Rxe4 Nxb3]
35.Bxb3∓ Bxb3 36.Rb2 Bc3!
[36...f6? 37.Be3± *(37.Bxf6 gxf6 38.Rxb3 Be1-+)*]
37.Rxb3 Bxd4?? 0.86/21
[37...b4!∓ -1.20/24 wins, with the idea ...a5-a4 wins, with the idea ...a5-a4 And now ...a6-a5! would win. 38.Rb1 a5]
38.Bf4? -0.28/24
[38.f3! Bxe5+ 39.Kh3±]
[White should try 38.Ra3± 0.86/21]
38...Bxf2= 39.g3 -0.84/25
[39.Kh3∓ -0.43/23]
39...f6? 3.71/23
[39...Kd7∓ -0.84/25]
40.Kg2? 0.90/21
[or 40.Rc3!+- 3.71/23 is more deadly. Kd8 41.Ng6]
40...Bd4± 41.Ng6? 0.31/20
[41.exf6!± 1.21/23 gxf6 42.Rb4]
41...Kf7!± 42.exf6 gxf6 43.Be3 e5 44.Kf2 Rc8 45.Ke2 Rc2+ 46.Kf1? -3.22/25
[46.Kd1∞ 0.00/25 Rh2 47.Nh4]
46...Rh2? -0.04/21
[46...Bxe3!-+ -3.22/25 47.Rxe3 b4-+]
47.g4? -4.30/24
[47.Nh4!= -0.04/21]



47...f5? -0.03/28
[47...Rh3!-+]
48.gxf5? -1.95/23
[48.Bxd4!= -0.03/28 and White is okay. exd4 49.Kg1!]
48...Rxh5-+ 49.Bxd4? -4.70/26
[49.Kg2 -2.01/22]
49...exd4= Endgame. KRN-KR **50.Ne5+ Kf6 51.Nc6 Rxf5+** -2.66/23
[⌓51...d3! -5.80/22 52.Ke1 Kxf5 53.Nd4+ Kf4]
[51...Kxf5 52.Nxd4+ Ke5 53.Nc2=]
52.Ke2 d3+ 53.Ke3



Rd5? -0.01/23
[53...Rf1!-+ -4.42/20 54.Nb4 Kf5]
54.Rb2 Rd6 55.Nd4 Ke5 56.Rh2! d2
[56...Rxd4? too greedy. 57.Rh5+ Ke6 58.Kxd4+-]
57.Rxd2
[57.Rh5+ is interesting. Kf6 58.Rh1 Rd7 59.Rd1]
57...Rd5 58.Nc6+ Ke6 59.Nd4+ Kd6 60.Rh2 b4
[60...Kc5]
61.Kxe4 Re5+ 62.Kd3 Rg5 63.Rh8 Kd5? 7.58/27
[63...Rg3+= 0.00/21 64.Kc4 Rg1 *(64...Rc3+? 65.Kxb4 Rc7 66.Rh5+-)*]
64.Rd8++- Ke5 65.Kc4? 0.00/23
[65.Nf3++- 7.25/23 Kf6 66.Nxg5 Kxg5 67.Ke4 *(67.Ra8 Kf5 68.Rxa6 Kf4 69.Rb6 Kf5 70.Rxb4 Ke5 71.Rb5+ Ke6)* 67...a5 68.Rd5+ Kf6 69.Rxa5 Ke7 70.Kd5]
65...Rg4 66.Re8+ Kd6 67.Rd8+ Kc7 68.Rd5 Kb6 69.Kxb4 Rg6 70.Kc4 Rh6 71.Rg5 Rd6 72.Rg1 Rh6 73.Rb1+ Kc7 74.Rc1 Kb7 75.Rc2 Rb6 76.Rg2 Rf6 77.Kc5
[77.Kb3!?]
77...Rf7 78.Rb2+ Kc7 79.Kd5 Rd7+ 80.Kc5 Rh7 81.Ne6+ Kc8 82.Nf4 Rc7+ 83.Kd6 Rd7+ 84.Ke6 Rb7 85.Rc2+ Rc7 86.Rh2 Rc6+ 87.Kd5 Rc1 88.Ne6 Kb7 89.Nc5+ Kb6 90.Rb2+ Ka7 91.Rb7+ Ka8 92.Rh7 Rg1 93.Kc6 Rg6+ 94.Kc7 Intending Nc5-d7 and mate. **94...a5??** #31/25
[94...Ka7!= 0.01/27]
95.Nd7 8.20/22
[⌓95.Rh5 #31/25 Ka7 96.Nd7 Re6 97.Rxa5+ Ra6 98.Rb5 Rh6 99.Re5 Rg6 100.Rh5]
95...a4 96.Rh5 White mates. **96...Ra6 97.Nb6+ Ka7 98.Nc8+ Ka8 99.Rb5 Rc6+ 100.Kxc6** What a fight!
Weighted Error Value: White=0.71/ Black=0.72
1-0

74 **C02**
□ **Cheparinov,I** **2663**
■ **Svane,Frederik** **2618**
FIDE World Cup 2023 (2.2) 03.08.2023
[John Watson]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.Nbd2 The best move, developing quickly.
[9.h4?! is seen in this month's game Zhigalko-Galchenko.]
9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Na5
[10...Bc5 also looks reasonable and should equalize: 11.Rb1! Qc7 *(11...Bxf2+? 12.Kf1 Qc5 13.Nb3 Qxc3 14.Kxf2±)* 12.Nb3 Be7 *(12...Bf8!?)* 13.Bd2 *(after 13.Bf4 , h5! 14.Qd2 Nh6* looks like a good way to develop*)* 13...f6?! *(13...a6=* or*; 13...h5=* is sounder*)* 14.exf6?! *(14.Bf4!±* with the idea *f5 15.Bxf5! exf5 16.e6 Qxf4 17.exd7+ Kxd7*

18.Qxd5+ Ke8 19.Nc5 Rd8 20.Qb3±) 14...Nxf6= 15.Nbd4 Nxd4 *(15...Nd8=)* 16.Nxd4 *(16.cxd4 0-0 17.Ne5* with compensation*)* 16...0-0 17.Nxe6 Bxe6 18.Rxe6 Bc5 19.Be3= Borkovec,M (2156)-Audi,A (2391), Ceske Budejovice 2023]

11.Rb1 Qc7 12.c4! The most interesting move, and a dangerous one.

[12.Nd4!? a6 *(12...Qxc3 13.N2f3)* 13.N2f3 h6∓]

12...dxc4

[Perhaps 12...Nxc4!? should be considered. There might follow 13.Bxc4 dxc4 14.Ne4 Bc6 *(14...b5!?)* 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qd8 17.Ne5 Nf6 18.Bg5 h6 19.Bh4 g5 20.Bg3 Bd5∞]

13.Bc2 Ne7!? An important juncture.

[In an earlier column I gave 13...Bc6 14.Ng5! Rd8 15.Qh5 g6 16.Qh3 Bg7 17.Nde4! Bxe4 *(17...Bxe5 18.Nxe6! fxe6 19.Ng5)* 18.Rxe4 Ne7 19.Ba3

A) but here 19...Bxe5 looks okay, in view of 20.f4 Bd4+ 21.Kh1 *(21.Rxd4? Rxd4 22.Bb2 Qxf4-+)* 21...Nac6 22.Nxf7! Kxf7 23.Qxe6+ Kg7 24.Bxe7 Rde8 25.Qxc4 Rxe7 26.Rxd4 Nxd4!? *(26...Rf8=)* 27.Qxd4+ Kh6 28.Qxh8 Qxc2;

B) 19...Nac6±]

14.Ne4 Ng6

[An earlier game went 14...Nd5? 15.Nfg5! h6? 16.Qh5 Qxe5 17.Qxf7+ Kd8 18.Bb2+- Ghimpu,S (2465)-Bonte,A (2334) Jupiter 2023]

15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qd8 17.Ng5!?

[17.h4! Nxh4 18.Nxh4 Qxh4 19.Re5 Nc6 *(19...Qd8 20.Rh5)* 20.Re4 Qd8 21.Rxb7± , This may indicate that 13...Ne7 isn't reliable, and that 13...Bc6 needs to be looked at again.]

17...Rc5 18.Ne4 Rf5 19.g4

[19.Ng3 Rb5 20.Rxb5 Bxb5 21.Bb2∞]

19...Rd5?!

[19...Re5! 20.f4 Rd5 21.Nf6+ Qxf6 22.Qxd5 Nxf4= 23.Qxa5 Nh3+ 24.Kg2 Qf2+ 25.Kxh3 Qf3+ 26.Kh4 Qf2+=]

20.Nf6+ gxf6

[20...Qxf6 21.Qxd5 Qc3! 22.Qd2!±]

21.Qxd5 Ne5!?

[21...b6]

22.Rxe5! fxe5 23.Qxe5 Rg8 24.Bxh7

[24.f3!±]

24...Qh4! 25.Bxg8 Qxg4+ 26.Kf1 Qd1+ 27.Kg2 Qg4+ 28.Kf1 Qd1+ 29.Kg2 Qg4+ 30.Kf1 Qd1+

½-½

75 **C02**

□ **Ducu17** **2657**

■ **nakading** **2385**

Rapid 04.02.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation Braun, Christian: 'Jacimovic,Dragoljub: 'EUOROPEAN CHESS CLUB CUP 2021 Tournament Report The 36th European Chess Club Cup was held in Struga from September 18-24. After a break of a year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the best chess teams in Europe came together again. After the withdrawal of the Padova team, the main favorites for the first place remained Alkaloid (Severna Makedonija), Bronze Horseman (Russia) and Novy Bor (Cesko). As many times before, the winner of the tournament was decided in the last round. Bronze Horseman played the whole tournament quite safely, and

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minutes to the playing hall. Overall, the quality of the play was at a really remarkable level, but due to the overall situation this tournament will not be remembered for long. Dear readers, I bring you four entertaining games for your study and enjoyment! **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.Nbd2** The position is equal. **9...Nge7 10.Nb3**

[10.Nxd4 looks sharper. Nxd4 11.cxd4 Qxd4 12.Nf3]

10...Na5N 0.75/18

[10...dxc3= 0.01/19 11.bxc3 Ng6 *(11...Na5 12.Be3 Qc7 13.Nxa5 Qxa5 14.Rb1 b6 15.Qe2 Nf5 16.Bxf5 exf5 17.e6 Bxe6 18.Nd4 Be7 19.Bg5 Qc5 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Qxe6 Rc7 22.Rbd1 Rd7 23.Re5 h6 24.Qg6+ Kf8 25.Qxf5+ Ke8 26.Bxe7* Kryvoruchko,Y (2689)-Christiansen,J (2609) Struga 2021 Chess Informant 151 [Jacimovic, Dragoljub] 1-0*)* 12.h4 *(12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nbd4 a6 14.Qe2 Be7 15.Bd2 Na5 16.g3 Ba3 17.h4 b5 18.h5 Ne7 19.h6 g6 20.Ng5 Ng8 21.Qf3 Bc6 22.Bxg6 hxg6 23.h7 Qe7 24.hxg8Q+ Rxg8 25.Nh7 Rh8 26.Bg5 Rxh7* Ozturk,M (1659)-Aydin, A (1704) Konya 2022 ½-½ (43) *)* 12...Be7 13.h5 Nh4 14.Rb1 Nxf3+ 15.Qxf3 Qc7 16.Qg3 g6 17.Nd4 Nxd4 18.cxd4 Qc3 19.Bh6 Bc6 20.Qe3 Rg8 21.Rec1 Qa3 22.Qd2 Kd7 23.Rb3 Qa4 24.Qb2 Rc7 25.hxg6 hxg6 26.Bd2 a6 Paichadze, L (2515)-Zhakshylykov,E (2274) New Delhi 2023 1-0 (31)]

[10...Qc7 11.Nbxd4 Nxd4 12.Nxd4 Nc6 13.Nb5 Qb8 14.Bf4 a6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 0-0 17.Qh5 g6 18.Qh6 Rce8 19.Bg5 f5 20.Re3 Qxd6 21.Rh3 Rf7 22.Bf6 Rxf6 23.Qxh7+ Kf8 24.f4 Nd8 25.g4 Bilych,O (2417)-Antonica,D (2321) Mamaia 2022 0-1 (34)]

11.Nbxd4± Nec6 12.h4 0.34/19

[12.Nb5± 0.90/19]

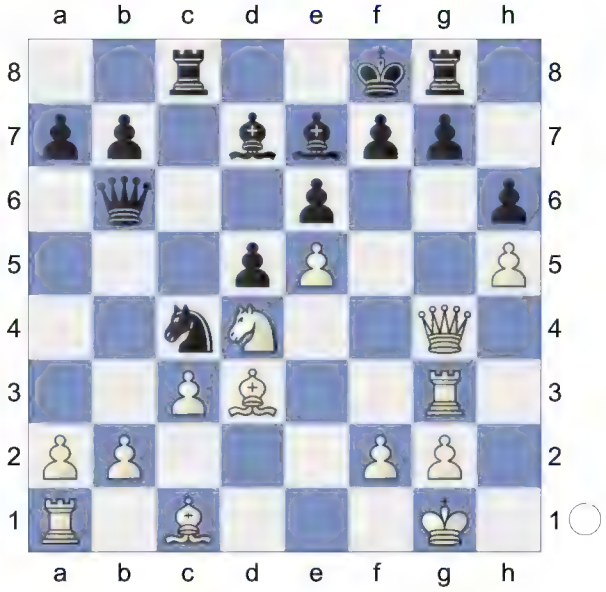
12...Nxd4 13.Nxd4 Be7 1.15/20

[13...Nc6± 0.69/18 is more appropriate.]

14.h5 h6 15.Qg4 Kf8 16.Re3 Black must now prevent Rg3. 0x0. 001331ca8b9edp-1022s more active pieces. The black rooks are badly placed. **16...Nc4?** 3.13/24

[16...Kg8± 1.32/21 was necessary.]

17.Rg3+- Rg8



18.Bh7? 0.01/22

[White should try 18.Bxh6!+- 3.70/21 Nxe5 19.Bxg7+ Ke8 20.Qd1 Rxg7 21.Rxg7]

18...Nxe5= 19.Qf4 Bd6 20.Bxg8 Kxg8 21.Qh4 Kh7 22.Rb1 Nc6 0.42/20

[22...Nc4= -0.01/20]

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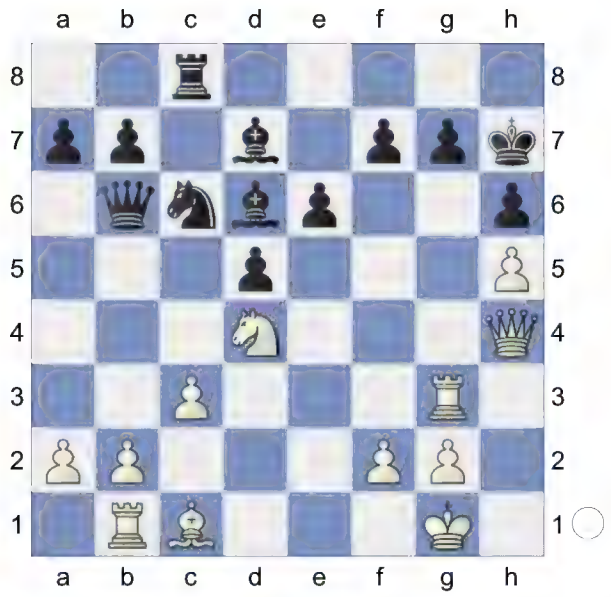

23.Rf3 -0.60/20
[23.Rxg7+!± 0.42/20 Kxg7 24.Bxh6+ Kxh6 25.Qf6+ Kh7 26.Qxf7+ Kh8 27.Qf6+ Kh7 28.Qg6+ Kh8 29.Qf6+ Kh7 30.Qg6+ Kh8 31.Qf6+]
23...Nxd4 -0.01/21
[23...Rf8∓ -0.60/20]
24.cxd4 -0.47/21
[24.Qxd4= -0.01/21 was preferrable. Qxd4 25.cxd4]
24...Rc4 0.01/22
[24...Be8∓ -0.47/21]
25.Be3
[25.Rxf7!? Be8 26.Qf6 Bxf7 27.Qxf7=]
25...Be8 Black has compensation. **26.b3 Rc2 27.g4 f6** -0.09/20 Prevents g5.
[27...Qc7∓ -0.44/21]
28.Bf4 -1.48/20
[28.Rxf6!= -0.09/20 gxf6 29.Qxf6]
28...Bb5 -0.20/19
[Inferior is 28...Rxa2 29.Bxd6 Qxd6 30.Rd1∓]
[28...Bb4∓ -1.48/20 29.Be3 Be7]
29.Bxd6 Qxd6 30.Qg3 -0.99/21
[30.Re1!= 0.01/22]

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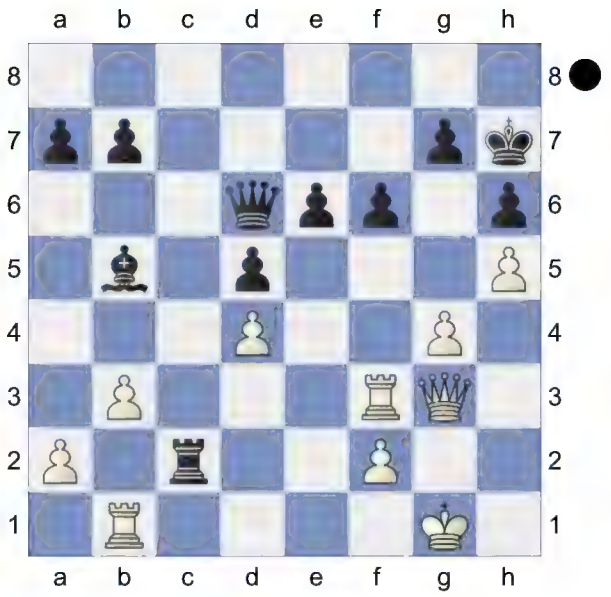

30...Qxg3+ -0.01/24
[30...Qb4!∓ -0.99/21 31.a4 Be2]
31.Rxg3 Rxa2∓ Endgame KRR-KRB
32.Re1⇄ White is not keeping still
32...Rd2 33.Rxe6 Rxd4 34.Re7 Bc6 aiming for ...Rd1+. **35.Kh2 Rf4 36.Re2** -1.05/24
[36.Kg2= -0.01/23]
36...d4 37.Rd2 Bd5 -0.38/24
[37...a5∓ -1.08/21]
38.Kh3 -0.91/21
[38.b4∓ -0.38/24]
38...Kg8? 0.93/23
[38...Bf3∓ -0.91/21 keeps the pressure on.]
39.Rgd3± Kf7 2.09/26
[39...f5± 1.10/23 keeps fighting.]
40.Rxd4 Rxd4 41.Rxd4 Bxb3+- 2.46/27 KR-KB
[⌓41...Be6 1.91/24 42.b4 a6]
42.Rd7+ Kf8 43.Rxb7 Be6 44.Rxa7 Bd5 45.Kg3 Bc6 46.Kf4 Bd5 47.Kf5 Bf7 48.f4 Bd5? 14.17/27
[48...Kg8 2.31/30 49.Ra8+ Kh7]
49.Kg6 White threatens f5 and mate.
49...Bf7+ 50.Rxf7+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.43/Black=0.54
1-0

76 **C02**
□ **literal_bagel** **2655**
■ **Kos1189** **2612**
Blitz 02.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7! 8.Re1 White has compensation. **8...Rc8** 0.39/18
[8...Nh6= 0.03/19]
9.h4 -0.69/18
[9.Nbd2!± 0.39/18]
9...Nh6!∓ ...dxc3 is the strong threat.
[9...Nge7 10.Nbd2 *(10.h5 a6 11.h6 gxh6 12.Qe2 Ng6 13.g3 Bg7 14.cxd4 Nxd4 15.Nxd4 Qxd4 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.Nc3 b5 18.Be3 Qxe5 19.Qd2 d4 20.Bxh6 dxc3 21.Rxe5 Bxe5 22.Qe3 cxb2 23.Rb1 Bf6 24.Bg5 Bc3* 0-1 (33) Onslow,A (2170)-Zschiedrich,H (2067) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early blitz 2025 (6) *)* 10...dxc3 11.bxc3 Ng6 12.c4 Bc5 13.Rb1 Qd8 14.cxd5 exd5 15.g3 0-0 16.h5 Nge7 17.Qc2 Nb4 18.Bxh7+ Kh8 19.Rxb4 Bxf2+ 20.Kxf2 Rxc2 21.Bxc2 Qc7 22.Rb1 Qxc2 23.Rxb7 Qc5+ 24.Kg2 0-1 (26) Sergo-Vladivostok (2592)-HELMUT_LANG (2667) Blitz 2024]
10.a3N -1.47/20
[White should play 10.Ng5!∓ -0.45/17]
[10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Ng4 12.Re2 Bc5 13.Qe1 Na5 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Nb3 Nxb3 16.axb3 Bb6 17.Bd2 a6 18.Ng5 h6 19.Nh3 Bb5 20.c4 Bc6 21.Bb4 dxc4 22.bxc4 Qd8 23.Rd1 Qxh4 24.Be4 h5 1-0 (31) Christiansen,J (2661)-Galchenko,M (2438) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (10)]
10...a5 -0.20/19
[Black should play 10...Ng4∓ -1.47/20 11.Qe2 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Be7]
11.Nbd2? -2.17/22
[11.c4!= -0.20/19 and White stays safe.]
11...dxc3-+ 12.bxc3 Bc5 13.Qe2 Ng4 14.Nd4? -3.54/21
[14.Rf1∓ -1.43/21]
14...Nxf2 15.Rb1
[15.Qxf2? Nxd4 16.Kh1 *(16.cxd4? Bxd4* Pin, Double Attack *17.Rf1 Bxf2+-+)* 16...Nc2-+]
15...Nxd4? 0.01/18
[15...Bxd4-+ -2.39/23 16.Rxb6 Bxb6]
16.cxd4= Nxd3 17.Rxb6 Bxd4+ 18.Kh2 Nxe1
[18...Nxc1 19.Rxc1 Rxc1 *(19...Bxb6? 20.Rxc8+* Deflection *Bxc8 21.Qb5+ Bd7 22.Qxb6+-)* 20.Rxb7∓]
19.Rb1 Nc2 20.Nf3 -0.01/24
[20.Rxb7± 0.60/23 Bc6 21.Rb1]
20...Ba7? 2.35/22
[20...Rc4= -0.01/24 and Black is okay.]
21.Rxb7+- Nd4 22.Qe3 1.30/22
[22.Nxd4 Bxd4 23.Bg5 h6=]
[22.Qa6+- 2.53/21 Nc6 *(22...Nxf3+ 23.gxf3 Bc5 24.Bg5±)* 23.Bd2 *(23.Rxa7 Nxa7 24.Be3 Nc6∓)*]
22...Nxf3+± 23.Qxf3 Bc5? 4.46/19
[23...Bd4 1.69/21]
24.Bg5 h6? 4.57/21
[24...Rf8 2.70/20 was worth a try. 25.Qg3 Bc6]

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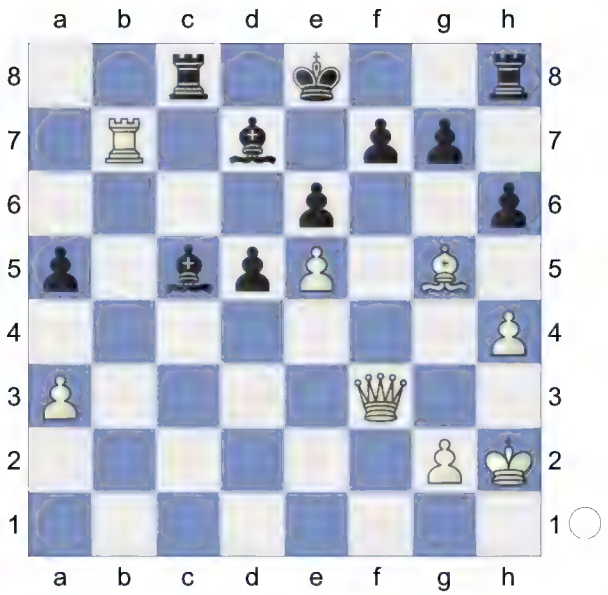
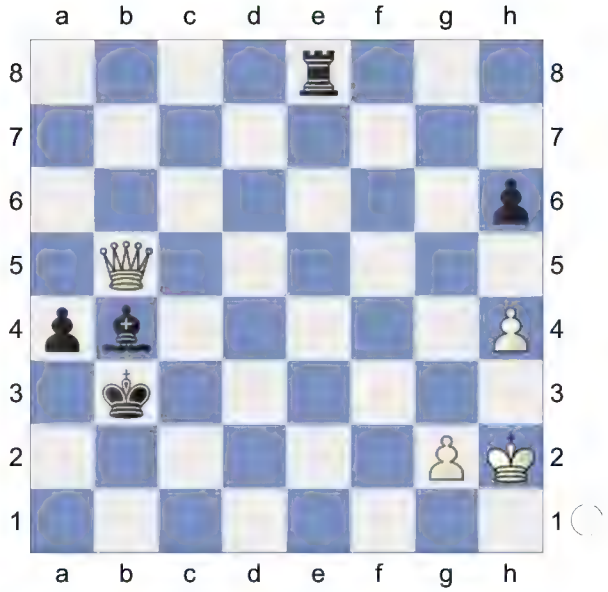


25.Rxd7!+- Deflection **25...Kxd7 26.Qxf7+ Kc6 27.Qxe6+ Kb5 28.Qd7+ Rc6** 6.55/21
[⌓28...Kc4 4.00/19]
29.Bd2 a4 6.92/19
[⌓29...Rhc8 4.60/20 30.Qxd5 g5]
30.Qxd5 Kb6 6.04/17
[⌓30...Re8 4.29/21 31.Bc3 Re7 32.Qd3+ Kb6]
31.Qd7 Strongly threatening Ba5+!.
31...Rhc8 32.Qxg7 R8c7 6.58/21 Repels Qd7
[32...Bxa3 3.72/17 33.Be3+ *(33.Bxh6 Bc5+-)* 33...Bc5]
33.Qg4 Kb5 34.Qe2+ Kb6 35.Qe4 Kb5 36.Bf4 Bxa3 37.Qd3+ Kb4 38.Bd2+ Rc3 39.Bxc3+ Rxc3 Endgame KQ-KRB **40.Qd2 Kb3 41.e6 Bb4 42.Qd5+ Kb2 43.Qb5 Kb3 44.e7 Rc8** 9.32/22
[44...Re3 3.19/21 45.e8Q *(45.e8B Rxe8 46.Qxe8 a3+-)* 45...Rxe8 46.Qxe8 a3 47.Qe6+ Kb2 48.Qe2+ *(48.Qxh6 a2+-; 48.Qf6+ Bc3+-)* 48...Kb3 49.Qf3+ Bc3 50.Qf7+ Kb2 51.Qf2+ Kb3 52.Qb6+ Kc2]
45.e8Q? 1.05/24
[45.Qd7+- 9.32/22 and White stays clearly on top. Bxe7 46.Qxc8 Bd6+ 47.Kh3]
45...Rxe8±



46.Qxe8 0.32/19
[46.Qd5+!± 1.36/21 Ka3 47.Qf3+ Kb2 48.Qf6+ Ka3 49.Qf3+ *(49.Qxh6 Kb3±)*]
46...a3!± 47.Qe6+ Ka4? 11.39/24
[47...Kb2± 0.79/23 48.Qe2+ *(48.Qxh6 a2+-; 48.Qf6+ Bc3+-)* 48...Kb3 49.Qe6+ Kb2]
48.Qa6+? 0.20/23
[48.Qc4+- 11.39/24 Ka5 49.Qc6]
48...Kb3!= 49.Qd3+ 0.01/23
[49.Qe6+ Kb2 50.Qe2+ *(50.Qxh6 a2+-; 50.Qf6+ Bc3+-)* 50...Kb3 51.Qd3+ Kb2 52.Qe2+ *(52.Qd4+ Bc3+-)* 52...Kb3 53.Qe3+ Bc3 54.Qe6+ *(54.Qxh6 a2+-; 54.Qb6+ Kc2+-)* 54...Kb2 55.Qe2+ *(55.Qxh6 a2±; 55.Qb6+ Kc2+-)* 55...Kb3 56.Qb5+ *(56.Qe6+ Kb2+-)* 56...Kc2+-]
[49.Qxh6± 0.45/23 should be considered. a2 50.Qe6+ Kb2 51.Qe2+ Kb3 52.Qd1+ Kb2 53.g4 *(53.Qe2+ Kb3+-)*]
49...Ka4? 9.48/24

[49...Kb2= 0.01/23 50.Qe2+ *(50.Qd4+ Bc3+-)* 50...Kb3 51.Qe6+ Kb2 52.Qe2+ *(52.Qxh6 a2+-; 52.Qf6+ Bc3+-)*]

What a bad dream for Black.

Weighted Error Value: White=1.12/ Black=1.31

50.Qe2? 0.01/27 Loss on time!?

[50.Qc2++- 9.48/24 Kb5 51.Qe2+ Kc6 52.Qa6+ Kd5 53.Qxh6]

1-0

77 **C02**

□ **Mamedov,Rauf** **2654**

■ **Bluebaum,Matthias** **2672**

Chessable Qualifier 2020 rapid (7.1)

[John Watson]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1

[8.Nbd2 is seen in this month's Carlsen-Harikrishna game.]

8...Nh6 A logical move, developing and thinking about ...Ng4 in some lines. But

[8...Nge7 ,]

[8...Rc8 , and]

[8...dxc3 have been seen much more often.]

9.h3 A smart prophylactic move, preventing ...Ng4 and making the move g4 stronger if Black's knight ever comes to f5.

[9.a3!? A rare Gawain Jones loss (in a Blitz game, to be sure) followed

A) 9...Ng4!? 10.Qe2 *(10.h3?? Nxf2 11.Kxf2 dxc3+ 12.Be3 Qxb2+)* 10...f6! 11.exf6 gxf6 is terribly unclear;

B) 9...Rc8 10.b4!? dxc3 11.Be3? *(11.Nxc3 Ng4 12.Ra2 Ncxe5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxd5 Qd6! 15.Nf4 Nxd3 16.Nxd3 Be7=)* 11...d4! 12.Bxh6 gxh6 13.Re4 Bg7 14.b5 Na5 *(14...Nxe5! 15.Nxe5 Bxb5-+)* 15.Rxd4 Bxb5? *(15...Bxe5! 16.Rxd7 c2-+)* 16.Bc2? *(16.Bxb5+ Qxb5 17.Nxc3∞)* 16...0-0 17.Rd6 Rfd8 18.Bxh7+ Kh8 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.Qc2 Ba4 21.Qxa4 Qb2 22.h4 Kxh7 23.Qxa5 c2 24.Qxd8 c1Q+ 25.Kh2 Qf4+ 26.Kh3 Qxa1 0-1 Jones,G (2670) -Lugovskoy,M (2420) chess.com INT 2020.]

9...Be7 10.Nbd2

[10.Na3!? is interesting, since Bxa3 11.bxa3 dxc3 12.Rb1 gives White activity and play upon the weakened dark squares.]

10...dxc3

[10...Nf5 11.c4! Ne3!? 12.Qe2 is, again, unclear!]

11.bxc3 Nf5

[11...0-0]

12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3

[Or 13.c4!]

13...h6 14.Bf4 Qd8 15.g4!?

[15.Bxf5 exf5 16.Nbd4]

15...Nh4 16.Nxh4 Bxh4 17.Nc5 0-0

[17...Na5!? 18.Nxb7 Nxb7 19.Rxb7 Bc6]

18.Nxb7 Qc7 19.Nd6

[19.Qd2!?]

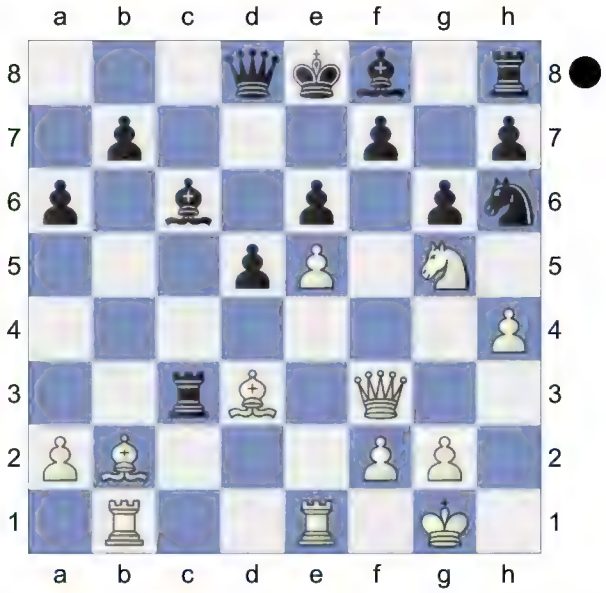
19...Rab8?

[19...f6! 20.Rb7! Qd8 21.Nf5! exf5 22.e6 Bxe6 23.Rxe6 Qc8 24.Rxg7+! Kxg7 25.Bxf5 Re8 26.Rd6 Qa6 27.Rd7+ Re7 28.Qxd5 and although White is a rook for two pawns down, Black's exposed king will eventually lead to some kind of equal play, e.g., Rae8 29.Bd3 Qa4 30.Qf5 Kh8 31.Bxh6 Ne5 32.Qh7+ Rxh7 33.Rxh7+ Kg8 34.Rg7+ Kh8

35.Rh7+=]
20.g5! Rxb1 There is no good defense. **21.Bxb1 g6 22.gxh6 Kh8 23.Qg4 Be7?**
[23...Qd8 24.Kh1 Be8 25.Rg1+-]
24.Bxg6! Bxd6 25.Bh7
1-0

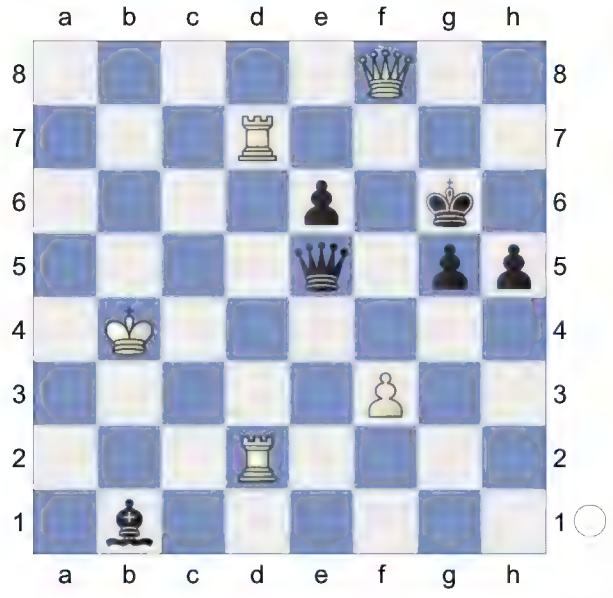
78 **C02**
□ **Shirov,Alexei** **2647**
■ **Tejedor Fuente,Enrique** **2408**
CAMPEONATO DE ESPAÑA INDIVIDU..
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.Nbd2** The position is equal. **9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Na5**
[10...Nge7 11.Rb1 Qc7 12.c4 Ng6 13.cxd5 exd5 14.Ng5 Nd8 15.e6 Nxe6 16.Qh5 Ngf4 17.Qxf7+ Kd8 18.Ndf3 Nxd3 19.Nxe6+ Bxe6 20.Bg5+ Be7 21.Qxe6 Nxe1 22.Qxd5+ Qd7 23.Bxe7+ Ke8 24.Qh5+ g6 25.Qe5 Merario Alarcon, A (2401)-Marin,M (2456) San Vicente del Raspeig 2024 [John Watson] ½-½ (32)]
11.Rb1 Qd8N
[11...Qc7 12.c4 *(12.Ng5 g6 13.Qf3 Bc6 14.Qh3 Nh6 15.Ndf3 Bd7 16.Re3 Qxc3 17.Bd2 Qc7 18.Nd4 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Qxc4 20.Bc3 Nf5 21.Nxf5 gxf5 22.Qh5 d4 23.Qxf7+ Kd8 24.Rxb7 Rc7 25.Rb8+* 1-0 (25) Klein,D (2068)-6.g4 h6 7. ♗g2 ♘c6 (2106) Jugoslavija (ch) 84/429 2023 Steinitz/Blackburne [John Watson]*; 12.Qe2 a6 13.h4 h6 14.h5 Bc5 15.Nd4 Nc6 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Qg4 Bf8 18.Ba3 Qa5 19.Bxf8 Kxf8 20.Qf4 Rc7 21.c4 Ne7 22.Qe3 b5 23.Nb3 Qa3 24.Qb6 Rb7 25.Qd8+ Be8 26.Qa8 dxc4* Nizamova,R (1755)-Buchholz,M (1858) Hannover 2023 ½-½ (57) *)*
12...dxc4 13.Bc2 Ne7 14.Ng5 *(14.Ne4 Ng6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qd8 17.Ng5 Rc5 18.Ne4 Rf5 19.g4 Rd5 20.Nf6+ gxf6 21.Qxd5 Ne5 22.Rxe5 fxe5 23.Qxe5 Rg8 24.Bxh7 Qh4 25.Bxg8 Qxg4+ 26.Kf1 Qd1+ 27.Kg2 Qg4+ 28.Kf1 Qd1+* Cheparinov,I (2663)-Svane,F (2618) Baku AZE 2023 [John Watson] ½-½ *)* 14...h6 15.Nde4 Nd5 16.Qh5 g6 17.Nd6+ Bxd6 18.Bxg6 Bxe5 19.Nxf7 Bxh2+ 20.Kh1 Nf6 21.Nxh8+ Ke7 22.Qxh6 Rg8 23.Bg5 Theory-8...Rc8 and Rare Lines [GM Petar G. Arnaudov]]
12.Nd4 Rxc3 13.N2f3 a6 Prevents Nb5. **14.Ng5 g6 15.Qf3** -0.18/19
[⌓15.h4 0.14/18]
15...Nh6= ...Rxc1! is the strong threat.
16.h4
[16.Bd2 Ra3 17.Nh3 Qc7∓]
16...Nc6 17.Nxc6 Bxc6 18.Bb2!



Rxd3 19.Qxd3 Nf5 20.g3 d4 21.Ne4

Threatens to win with Nf6+. **21...Be7** Against Nf6+ **22.Ba3 0-0 23.Bxe7! Qxe7 24.Nf6+ Kg7 25.h5 Rd8 26.Kh2** -0.96/19
[26.Rb3∓ -0.54/18]
26...Rd5 -0.24/18 **27.h6+! Nxh6** Strongly threatening ...Rxe5! **28.Nxd5 Ng4+ 29.Kg1 Bxd5 30.Qxd4** Really sharp! **30...Qg5** (→ ...Qh5) **31.f3! Ne3** 2.10/22 This costs Black the game. **32.Rxe3+- Qxg3+ 33.Kf1 Qh3+ 34.Ke2 Qg2+ 35.Kd3 b5** 2.59/18
[⌓35...Qxa2 1.79/19 36.Rb2 Qa1]
36.Rb2 Qf1+ 37.Kd2 a5 38.Qd3 Qf2+ 39.Qe2 Qh4 40.Qxb5
[Worse is 40.Rxb5 Bc4 41.Qe1 Qd4+ 42.Kc1 Bxb5∓]
40...Qd4+ 41.Rd3 Qf2+ 42.Kc3 Qe1+ 43.Rbd2 Bxa2 44.Qxa5
[Much less strong is 44.Kc2 Bd5 45.Qxa5 Qxe5+-]
44...Bb1 45.Rd7 g5 46.Qc5 Kg6 5.99/23
[⌓46...h5 4.16/22 47.Rd8 Kh7]
47.Kb4 h5 48.Qe7 Qxe5 49.Qxf7+ Kh6 50.Qf8+ Kg6



51.Re2!! 17.76/26 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.46
1-0

79 **C02**
□ **Gonzalez,J A** **2646**
■ **Large,Peter G** **2476**
EU-ch 12th Aix les Bains (9) 27.12.2022
[John Watson]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 a6 10.h5 g6 11.Nbd2 gxh5
[11...dxc3 12.bxc3 gxh5 13.Ng5 Ng6 14.Qxh5 Ncxe5 15.Bxg6 fxg6 16.Qh3 Bg7 17.Rb1 Qc6]
12.Nb3 dxc3 13.bxc3 Ng6 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Nbd4 Bg7 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Ba3 Bf8 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 19.Qd2 h6 20.Nd4 Ke7 21.f4 Rag8 22.Qf2 Kd7 23.Rb2 Ne7 24.f5 Kc8 25.fxe6 fxe6 26.Nxe6 Qa5 27.Nd4 Qxc3 28.Nxc6 Nxc6 29.Bf5+ Kb8 30.Reb1 Rg7 31.Rc2 Qxe5 32.Rxc6 Rf8 33.Rxa6 d4 34.Re6 Qd5 35.Be4 Qc5 36.Rf6 Re8 37.Rf7 Rxf7 38.Qxf7 d3+ 39.Kh1
1-0

80 **C02**
□ **MarioVillanueva** **2644**
■ **MIGV** **2537**
Blitz 21.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.h4 -0.37/17
[8.Re1= 0.30/18]
8...a6

[8...h6 9.Re1 Nge7 10.h5 Rc8 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Nf5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Nb3 Be7 15.Bf4 0-0 16.Qd2 Nh4 17.Nxh4 Bxh4 18.Nc5 Na5 19.Nxd7 Qxd7 20.Rb4 Be7 21.Bxh6 Bxb4 22.Bxg7 f5 23.exf6 1-0 (27) Yoo,C (2603)-Rahman,M (2327) Titled Tue 24. Sep Early 2024 (11)]

9.Nbd2N The position is equal.

[9.Qe2 Nge7 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Ng6 12.Nb3 Qc7 13.Re1 f6 14.exf6 gxf6 15.Qc2 0-0-0 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.Qxg6 Bd6 18.Qxf6 Rdf8 19.Qg7 e5 20.Bg5 e4 21.Nfd4 Be5 22.Qg6 Nxd4 23.Nxd4 Bxd4 0-1 (54) Ulms,S (2111)-Dokhoian,Y (2167) Russian Team Championship 2007 (5) 24.cxd4 Bf5 25.Qxf5+ Rxf5 26.Rac1 Rf7 27.Rxc7+ Rxc7 28.g4 Rf7 29.Kg2 Rg8 30.Re3 Rgf8 31.Rc3+ Kd7 32.Rc2 Rf3 33.Be3 Rg8 34.g5 Rh8 35.Rc5 Kd6 36.Rc1 Rxh4 37.Rc8 Rg4+ 38.Kf1 Rf7 0-1 (54) Matta,V (2111)-Coles,R (2167) Biel HTO 56th 2023 (5)]

9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Na5 0.54/19

[10...Nh6= -0.09/19]

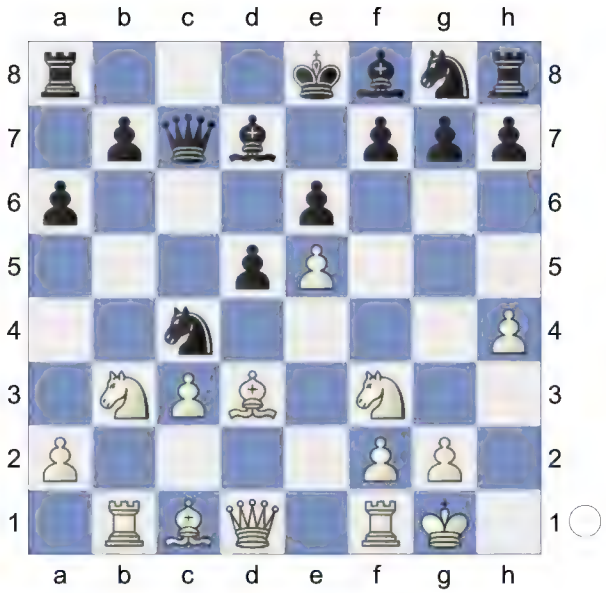
11.Rb1 Qc7 12.Nb3 -0.21/18

[White should play 12.Re1± 0.37/18]

12...Nc4 0.24/18

[12...Nxb3 -0.21/18 might be stronger. 13.Qxb3 b5]

(Diagram)



13.Rb2? -2.45/18 **Nxb2-+ 14.Bxb2 Ne7 15.h5 Nc6 16.Re1** -2.40/17

[⌓16.Qe2 -1.99/16]

16...h6 17.Nfd4? -4.46/17

[17.Qe2 -2.17/18]

17...Nxd4 -2.53/18

[⌓17...Nxe5 -4.46/17 18.Nf3 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 Bd6 20.Qxd5 Bc6]

18.cxd4 Ba4 19.Qg4 -3.11/18

[⌓19.Qd2 -2.22/17]

19...Bxb3 20.axb3 Qb6 21.Rc1 -3.91/19

[21.Rb1 -2.55/19 was worth a try.]

21...Qxb3 22.Bg6 Qb6

[22...Qxb2 23.Qxe6+ Kd8 24.Qxd5+ *(24.Qxf7? Qxc1+ 25.Kh2 Qc6-+)*]

23.Rb1 Threatens to win with Bc3.

23...0-0-0? 0.01/17

[23...fxg6 24.Qxg6+ Kd8 25.Bc3-+]

[23...Qc6-+ -2.85/20 24.Bd3 Kd8]

24.Bxf7= Kb8! 25.Bxe6? -3.50/19

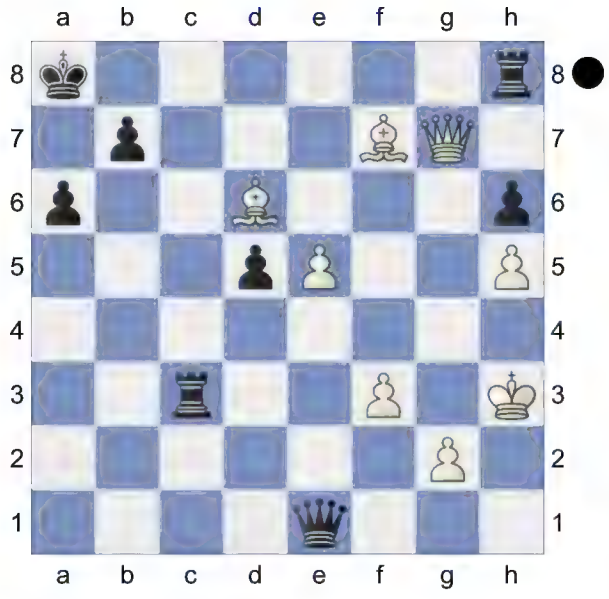
[25.Qg6= 0.01/20]

25...Ba3-+ 26.Bxa3 -4.12/19

[26.Qe2 -2.66/19 is the only way for White. Bxb2 27.Qxb2 Qxb2 *(27...Qxe6 28.Qxb7#)* 28.Rxb2]

26...Qxb1+ 27.Kh2 Qe4 28.Qxg7

-4.90/20
[28.Qxe4 -3.04/18 dxe4 29.d5]
28...Qh4+ 29.Kg1 Qxd4 30.Be7 Rde8 31.Bd6+ Ka8 32.Bf7? -5.88/21
[32.g3 -2.72/19 is a better chance.]
32...Rc8 (-> ...Rc1+) **33.Qg3** -13.04/20
[⌓33.Qf6 -4.41/21 Ka7 34.Be7]
33...Rc1+? -3.80/5
[33...Rc3 -13.04/20 34.Kh2 Rxg3 35.fxg3 Rc8 *(35...Rd8? 36.e6-+)*]
34.Kh2 Qd1 35.Qg7 Qh1+? -3.23/5
[35...Rhc8 -8.59/20 Strongly threatening ...Qg1+. 36.Kg3 R8c3+ 37.Kf4 Qc2 38.Bxd5 Qd2+ *(38...Qxf2+? 39.Bf3-+)* 39.Kf5 Qxd5]
36.Kg3 Rc3+ 37.f3 Qe1+ 38.Kh3? -11.83/21
[38.Kg4 -3.47/19 Rcc8 39.Bxd5]



38...Rhc8? -0.01/21
[38...Rxf3+!-+ -11.83/21 39.gxf3 Qh1+ 40.Kg4 Qg2+ 41.Kf5 Qxg7 42.Bxd5 Qg5+ 43.Ke4 Qxh5]
39.Bxd5= A strong pair of Bishops.
39...Qh1+ 40.Kg3 The board is on fire.
40...Qxh5? #1/6
[40...Qe1+ 41.Kh3 *(41.Kg4 Qb1∓)* 41...Qb1 *(41...Qh1+ 42.Kg3∓)* 42.g4∓]
[40...Qb1= -0.01/24]
Weighted Error Value: White=1.42/Black=0.78
41.Qxb7#
1-0

81 **C02**
□ **Svane,Frederik** **2639**
■ **Al Tarbosh,W** **2278**
Titled Tue 26th Dec Early blitz (2)
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.Nbd2 Nf5**
[10...dxc3 11.bxc3 Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 Nec6 14.Nbd4 Nxd4 15.cxd4 Be7 16.Bg5 Ba3 17.h5 h6 18.Bf4 a6 19.Kh2 b5 20.Nh4 Qc3 21.Bf1 Qc2 22.Qg4 Kf8 23.Qf3 Rc3 24.Be3 Ke8 25.Qg4 Luehrig,W (2670)-5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Be2 cd4 (2559) Monte Carlo 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A] 1-0 (100)]
11.h5N
[11.Nb3 dxc3 12.bxc3 Be7 13.h5 h6 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Bf4 0-0 16.Qd2 Na5 17.Bxf5 Nc4 18.Qd4 Na3 19.Rbc1 Nb5 20.Qd2 Ba3 21.Rc2 exf5 22.e6 Bd6 23.Bxd6 Qxd6 24.exd7 Qxd7 25.Rcc1 Rfd8 Chekhov Valery,A (2059)-Mollamustafaoglu,O (1530) Srbija (ch) 114/(202) 2023 The Week in Chess 273 [John Watson] 1-0 (37)]
[11.c4 dxc4 12.Nxc4 Qc7 13.Bf4 Nfe7 14.Nd6+ Kd8 15.Nxf7+ Ke8 16.Nxh8 Nd5 17.Bg5 Be7 18.Bxh7

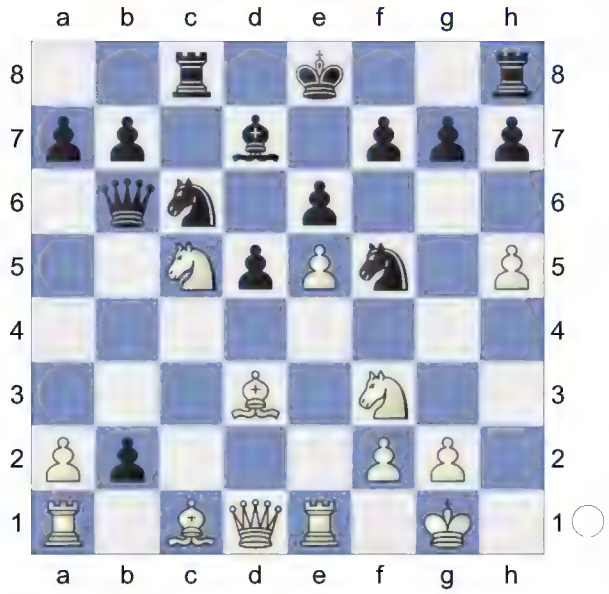
Qb6 19.Qd3 Kd8 20.Nf7+ Kc7 21.Nd6 Rf8 22.Rac1 Kb8 23.Bxe7 Ncxe7 24.Be4 Rh8 25.Qxd4 Qxd4 Nikolin,Z (2394)-Suppt Hongs,P (1440) Cap d'Agde 2023 Schallopp-Riemann [John Watson] 1-0 (34) 26.Nxd4 Bc6 27.Nxc6+ bxc6 28.g3 Kc7 29.Rc4 Rb8 30.b3 a6 31.Rec1 Rb6 32.Bxd5 Nxd5 33.Ne8+ Kd7 34.Nxg7 1-0 (34) Kiolbasa,O (2394)-Boryna,S (1440) Warsaw 2023]

11...Bc5 0.25/19

[11...dxc3 -0.18/20 was preferrable. 12.bxc3 Bc5]

12.Nb3!= dxc3 13.Nxc5 cxb2 0.79/18

[13...Qxc5= 0.19/21 remains equal. 14.bxc3 Qxc3]



14.Bxb2!± Qxc5 15.Bxf5 exf5

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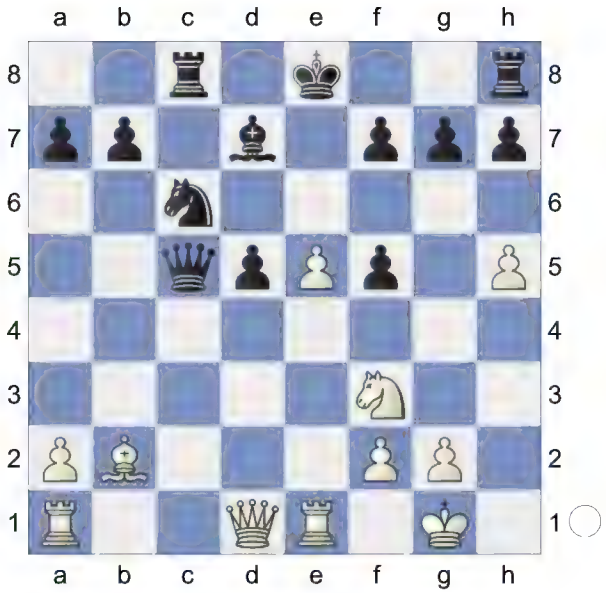

16.e6! Bxe6 2.03/20

[16...fxe6± 1.00/22 was called for. 17.h6 Rg8]

17.h6+- Rg8 18.hxg7 Qb4 2.99/19

[⌓18...Kd7 1.85/17 19.Rc1 Qb4]

19.Qxd5 Dancing on a razor blade.

19...Qxb2? 8.11/23

[19...Ne7 2.54/17 20.Qe5 Ng6]

20.Rxe6+

[20.Rad1? Ne7 21.Qd4 Qxd4 22.Nxd4 Rxg7 23.Nxe6 fxe6-+]

20...fxe6 21.Qxe6+ Ne7 22.Re1! Qxg7 23.Qxc8+! Kf7 24.Ne5+ Kf6 25.Qxb7 Ng6 26.Qc6+ 2.54/5

[⌓26.Qd5 5.16/23 Re8 27.Qd6+ Re6

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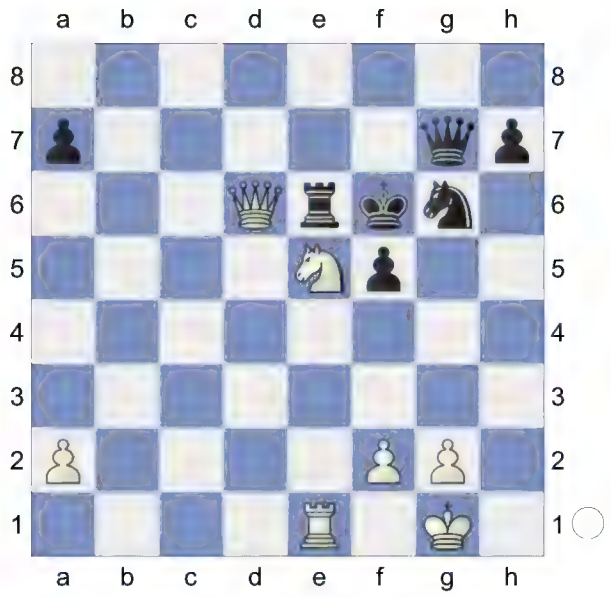


28.Ng4+! fxg4 29.Rxe6+ Kf7 30.Qd7+ Kg8 31.Qd8+ Nf8 32.Rf6]

26...Kg5 27.Nf3+ Kh5? 4.53/22

[27...Kh6 2.66/21 might work better. 28.g4 Qf7]

28.g3 Strongly threatening Qc4.

[28.g4+ Kxg4 29.Kh1 Qh6+ 30.Nh2+ *(30.Kg1 Kh5∓)* 30...Kh5 31.Qf3+ Kg5 32.Qe3+ Kh5 33.Qe2+ *(33.Qh3+ Nh4∓)* 33...Kg5 34.f4+ Kh4 35.Qf2+ Kh5 36.Qf3+ *(36.Rg1 Qf8+-)* 36...Kh4]

28...Rd8 10.09/22

[⌓28...Qf7 4.62/21 29.Re6 Rb8]

29.Qe6 4.07/22

[⌓29.Qc1 10.09/22 h6 30.Kg2]

29...Qd7 #10/20

[29...Rf8+- 4.07/22 30.Qe3 Qf6]

30.Qf6 h6 31.Kg2 Nf4+ 32.Kh2 Ng6 33.Rh1 12.26/5

[⌓33.Ne5 #5/15 Nxe5 34.Rh1 Kg4 35.Qh4+ Kf3 36.Qf4+ Ke2 37.Qe3#]

33...Kg4 34.Kg2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=1.08

1-0

82 **C02**

□ **outoftheblu** **2638**

■ **Mariogavilan** **2573**

Blitz 10.12.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...h5**

[9...Rc8 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 Nec6 14.Nbd4 Nxd4 15.cxd4 Be7 16.Bg5 Ba3 17.h5 h6 18.Bf4 a6 19.Kh2 b5 20.Nh4 Qc3 21.Bf1 Qc2 22.Qg4 Kf8 23.Qf3 Rc3 24.Be3 Luehrig,W (2670)-5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Be2 cd4 (2559) Monte Carlo 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A] 1-0 (100)]

10.Ng5N

[10.Nbd2 Nf5 11.Nb3 dxc3 12.bxc3 g6 13.a4 Be7 *(13...Na5 14.Nbd4 Nxd4 15.Nxd4 Rc8 16.Bd2 a6 17.Rb1 Qc7 18.Nf3 Nc4 19.Bxc4 Qxc4 20.Rxb7 Bc6 21.Rb4 Bxb4 22.cxb4 d4 23.Bg5 d3 24.Bf6 Rg8 25.b5 Bd5 26.Re3 axb5 27.axb5 Qc1 28.Rxd3* IF1 (2373)-miss_hudson vs. komodo54 (202,L (2194) corr 2023 03 d5 and e6: model game [John Watson] 0-1 (57)) 14.a5 Qd8 15.Ba3 Bxa3 16.Rxa3 Nxh4 17.Nfd4 Nf5 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.Nc5 Qe7 20.Nxb7 Qxa3 21.Nd6+ Kf8 22.N4xf5 Qxc3 23.Re3 Qxa5 24.Nc4 Qc5 Strobl,O (2123)-Brookshear,T (2434) Wijk aan Zee 2023 Chess Today CT-735 [John Watson] 0-1 (44)]

[10.a3 a5 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Nf5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.c4 d4 15.Bxf5 exf5 16.Nb3 Be7 17.Bg5 Rd8

18.Nfxd4 0-0 19.Nb5 Qb8 20.Bxe7 Nxe7 21.Nd6 Qc7 22.Nd4 Nc8 23.c5 Nxd6 24.cxd6 Qc5 Menichini, M (2185)-Schjelderup Ebbe,D (2103) corr 2023 03 d5 and e6: model game [John Watson] ½-½ (71)]

10...Nf5 11.Qf3 -0.28/18

[⌓11.Bxf5 0.20/19 exf5 12.cxd4]

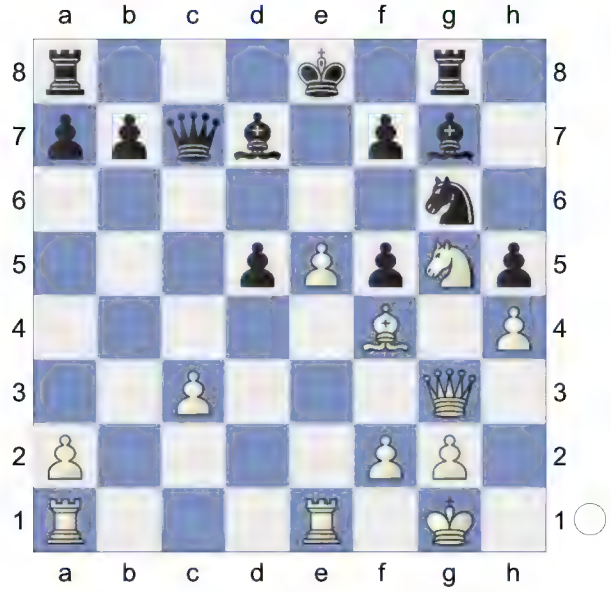
11...g6=

[11...dxc3 feels hotter. 12.bxc3 g6 13.Na3 a6]

12.Nd2 Bg7 White must now prevent ... dxc3. **13.Bxf5 gxf5 14.Qg3 Rg8 15.Nb3 dxc3 16.bxc3 Qc7 17.Bf4 Ne7 18.Nd4 Ng6** 0.32/20

[18...Rc8= 0.01/18 feels stronger.]

19.Nxf5 -0.01/20 **exf5**



20.e6! Qxf4

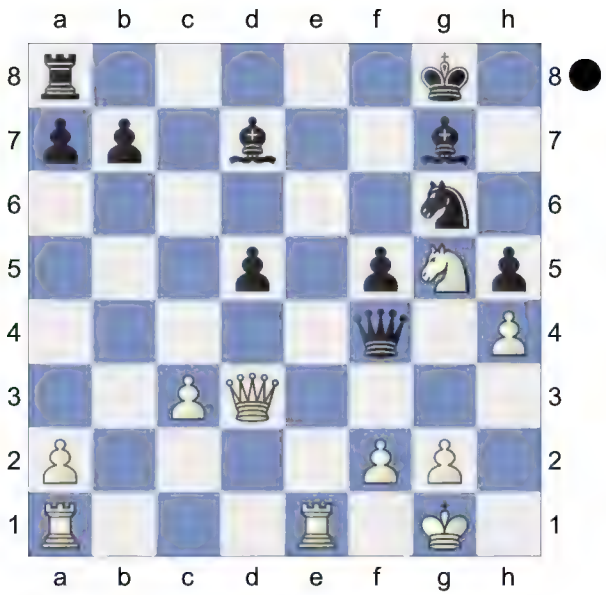
[20...Nxf4 21.exf7+ Kf8 22.fxg8N Kxg8 23.Re7 Ne2+ 24.Rxe2 Qxg3 25.fxg3±]

21.exf7+ Kf8 22.fxg8Q+ -1.74/5

[22.Qd3= -0.01/22 Qd6 23.Nh7+ Kxf7 24.Ng5+ Kf8 25.Nh7+ Kf7 26.Ng5+ Kf8 27.Nh7+ Kf7]

22...Kxg8-+ 23.Qd3

(Diagram)



Qc4 -0.36/21

[But not 23...Nxh4 24.Qxd5+ Kh8 25.Nf7+ *(25.Qxd7? Qxg5 26.Qxb7 Rg8∓)* 25...Kh7 26.Qxd7+-]

[23...Bc6!-+ -2.49/20 24.Ne6 *(24.Qe2? Be5-+)* 24...Qg4 25.Nxg7 Kxg7]

24.Qf3? -1.92/20

[24.Qd1!∓ -0.36/21]

24...Nxh4

[Don't take 24...Nf4 25.g3 Ng6 26.Qxh5+-]

25.Qxh5 -3.02/19

[⌓25.Qd1 -2.08/22 Qg4 26.Qxd5+ Kh8 27.Qxb7]

25...Qg4 26.Qxg4 fxg4 27.Re7? -4.30/21

[27.Rab1 -2.53/19]

27...Bc6 28.Ne6 -6.07/24

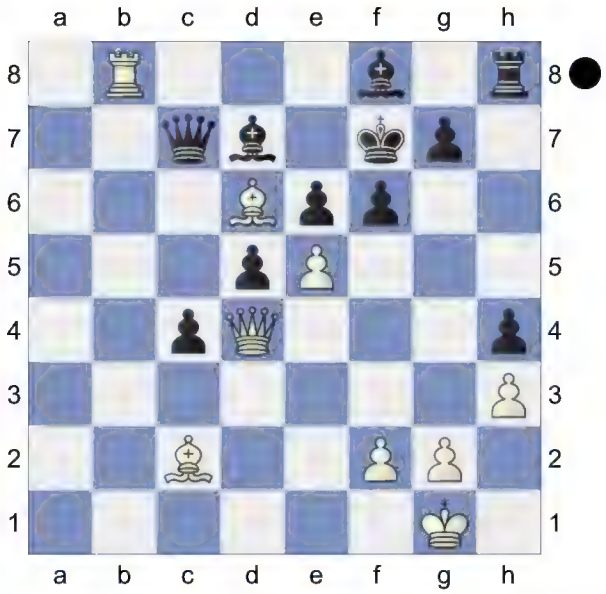
[⌓28.Re6 -4.03/19]

28...Bf6 29.Rc7 Bxc3 30.Rd1 Re8 31.Nd4 Ba5 32.Rxc6 bxc6 33.Nxc6 Bb6 34.Nd4 Re4 35.Nc2 d4 36.Nb4 Re2 37.Nd3 Nf5 38.Kh2 g3+ 39.fxg3 Ne3 40.Rg1 Rd2 41.Nf4 d3 42.Kh3 Rd1 43.Rxd1 Nxd1 44.Nxd3 Nf2+ 45.Nxf2 Bxf2 46.g4 Bd4 47.g5 Be5 48.Kg4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.

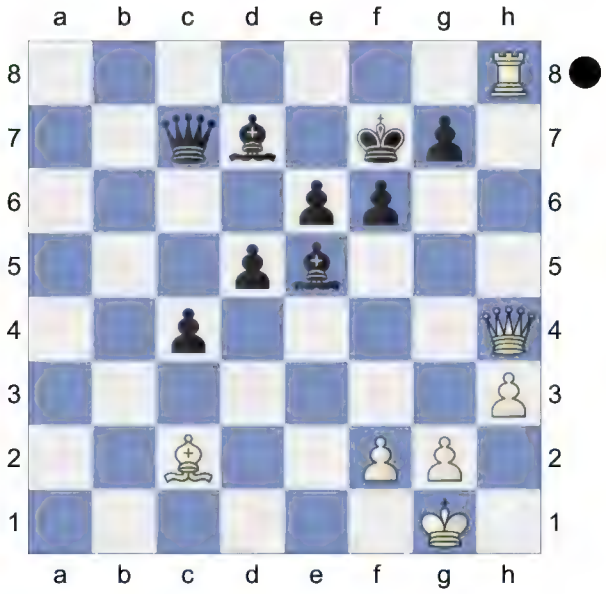
54/Black=0.36. Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?
1-0

83 **C02**
□ **dr_xStranger** **2638**
■ **The_Cloth** **2584**
Blitz 14.02.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nbd2 a6** 0.18/19
[⌓9...Bc5 -0.16/19]
10.Nxd4= Qxd4 11.Nf3 Qb6
The position is equal. **12.Be3**
[12.a3 Rc8 13.b4 Ne7 14.Be3 Qd8 15.Nd4 Nc6 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Bd4 Be7 18.f4 f5 19.exf6 Bxf6 20.Qh5+ Kf8 21.Bc5+ Be7 22.Rae1 Bxc5+ 23.bxc5 Qf6 24.Re5 g6 25.Qe2 Re8 26.g4 Kg7 Kilic,E (2414)-Al Tarbosh, W (2256) Chess.com INT 2023 0-1 (37)]
12...Qd8N
[12...Bc5 13.Bxc5 Qxc5 11. French Advance 4. c3-(46) Kooijmans vs. Ikonnikov]
13.Nd4
[13.Ng5 keeps more tension. g6 14.Qg4 Nh6 15.Qf4]
13...Ne7 14.Qg4 Nc6 15.Nxc6 bxc6 16.b4 a5 17.a3 h5 18.Qg3 h4 19.Qh3 axb4 20.axb4 Bxb4 21.Qg4
[21.Bb6 is interesting. Rxa1 22.Bxd8 Rxf1+ 23.Bxf1 Kxd8 24.Qg4]
21...Bf8 22.Rxa8 -0.43/20
[22.Bb6= -0.01/23 Qc8 23.Rxa8 Qxa8 24.Rb1]
22...Qxa8∓ 23.h3 -0.34/22
[23.Qd4= -0.01/22]
23...c5 24.Rb1 c4 25.Bc2 Qc8? 1.32/23
[25...g6= -0.24/24]
26.Ba7± White has strong compensation. **26...Qc7 27.Rb8+ Ke7 28.Qd4** Intending Qc5+ and mate. **28...f6** Threatens to win with ...Kf7. **29.Bc5+ Kf7 30.Bd6** -2.23/24
[30.Rxf8+± 0.96/23 stays on course. Rxf8 31.Bxf8 Kxf8 32.exf6]



This move loses the game for White.
30...Bxd6!-+ 31.Rxh8 Bxe5 32.Qxh4

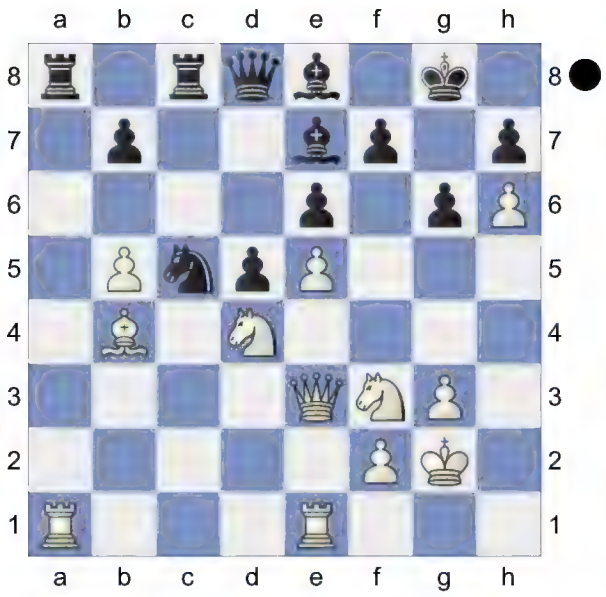


Qa5!→ Black attacks with force. **33.Bg6+?** -3.61/5
[33.g3 -1.92/19 f5 34.Qd8 Qxd8 35.Rxd8]
33...Ke7 Chess con chili. **34.f4 Bd4+ 35.Kh2 Qa1** aiming for ...Qf1. Active counter play! **36.Qh7 Qg1+ 37.Kg3 Qf2+ 38.Kh2 Qxf4+** Black mates. **39.Kh1 Qf1+ 40.Kh2 Be5+ 41.g3 Qf2+ 42.Kh1 Qf3+ 43.Kg1 Bd4+ 44.Kh2 Qf2+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.83/Black=0.11 (very precise)
0-1

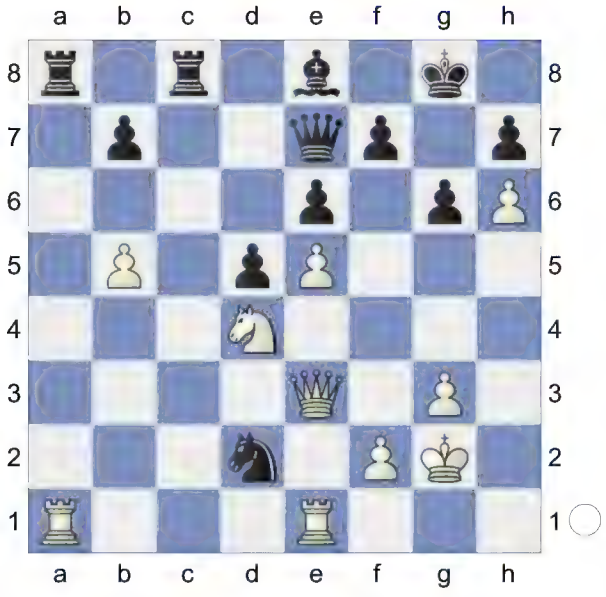
84 **C02**
□ **Sedulaaq** **2637**
■ **xibareh** **2565**
Blitz 03.02.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.b4N** -0.48/19
[9.h4= -0.02/16 a6 *(9...Rc8 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 Nec6 14.Nbd4 Nxd4 15.cxd4 Be7 16.Bg5 Ba3 17.h5 h6 18.Bf4 a6 19.Kh2 b5 20.Nh4 Qc3 21.Bf1 Qc2 22.Qg4 Kf8 23.Qf3 Rc3 24.Be3* Luehrig,W (2670)-5.Nf3 Qb6 6. Be2 cd4 (2559) Monte Carlo 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A] 1-0 (100)*; 9...h6 10.a3 Rc8 11.b4 a6 12.Bb2 g5 13.Nh2 Bg7 14.Ng4 gxh4 15.cxd4 h5 16.Nf6+ Bxf6 17.exf6 Ng8 18.Qf3 Rh6 19.Qxd5 Nxf6 20.Qg5 Ng4 21.Nc3 Qd8 22.Qxd8+ Kxd8 23.Ne4 e5 24.f3* Space advantage: pawn on e5- Vachier Lagrave Ponkratov Riga 2021 [Sipke Ernst] 1-0*)* 10.h5 *(10.a3 Rc8 11.Qd2 h6 12.Qf4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Na5 14.Be3 Qd8 15.g4 g6 16.Qf6 Rg8 17.Rad1 Nc4 18.Bc1 Nxa3 19.Nd2 Nb5 20.Bxb5 axb5 21.Nde4 dxe4 22.Nxe4 Nd5 23.Rxd5 Be7 24.Bxh6 Bxf6* Schippke,M (1963)-Ivekovic,T (2094) Mati Losinj 2023 ½-½ (48) *)* 10...h6 11.Qe2 f5 12.exf6 gxf6 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Nxd4 Qxd4 15.Be3 Qe5 16.Nd2 Rg8 17.f4 Qd6 18.Qf2 Rc8 19.Rad1 Bc6 20.Bh7 Rg7 21.Ne4 Qc7 22.Bb6 dxe4 23.Bxc7 Rxh7 24.Bd6 Frans Millner Barry Improved-N,N _5569 2021 [Robert Ris] (33)]
9...dxc3∓ 10.b5 -0.69/17
[10.Nxc3 -0.31/19 should be considered. Nxb4 11.Rb1]
10...Nb4 White must now prevent ...Rc8.
11.Nxc3 Nxd3 12.Qxd3 Ng6 13.Be3 Qa5 14.a3 -0.81/21
[14.a4∓ -0.42/19]
14...Be7
[14...Bxa3? 15.Bc5!+- *(15.Ne2 Bxb5 16.Qxa3 Qxa3±)*]
15.Bd2 Qb6
[15...Bxa3? 16.Ne2 Bxb5 17.Qe3+- *(17.Bxa5 Bxd3 18.Rxa3 Bxe2±; 17.Qxa3 Qxa3 18.Rxa3 Bxe2±)*]
16.g3 0-0 17.h4 Rfc8 18.h5 Nf8 19.h6 g6 -0.16/20
[19...gxh6∓ -0.83/18 20.Bxh6 Rc4 21.Bxf8 Rxf8]
20.a4= Qd8 21.Ne2 a6 22.Ned4 axb5 23.axb5 Be8 24.Kg2 Nd7 25.Qe3 Nc5 26.Bb4

(Diagram)



Ne4 0.43/22
[26...Nd3!∓ -0.66/20 27.Qxd3 Bxb4 28.Rxa8 Rxa8]
27.Bxe7± Qxe7 28.Nd2 0.01/22
[28.Rec1± 0.56/22]
28...Nxd2 0.97/25
[28...Rxa1= 0.01/22 remains equal. 29.Rxa1 Nc5]



29.Qxd2 0.12/23
[29.Rxa8!± 0.97/25 Rxa8 30.Qxd2]
29...Rxa1 1.35/22
[29...Rab8!= 0.12/23]
30.Rxa1± Rc4? 2.90/24
[30...Qc5± 1.22/21 might work better.]
31.Rc1? -0.01/21
[31.Ra8+- 2.90/24]
31...Qc5= 32.Rxc4 dxc4 33.Ne2? -2.22/24
[33.Qf4!= -0.01/22]
33...Bxb5
[Inferior is 33...Qxe5 34.Nc3]
34.Nc3 Bc6+ 35.Kh2 Bd5? -1.13/23
[35...b5-+ -3.87/22 is more deadly. Hoping for ...f6! 36.Qd8+ Qf8 37.Qxf8+ Kxf8]
36.Kg1 -2.26/23
[36.Qf4∓ -1.13/23 was the only chance.]
36...b5-+ 37.Na2 Kf8 38.Qa5 Ke8 -1.28/22 Prevents Qd8+.
[Black should try 38...Ke7-+ -2.35/23 Strongly threatening ...Bb7. 39.Nc3 Bf3 40.Qxb5 Qxb5 41.Nxb5 f6]
39.Nc3∓ Bb7 -0.39/23
[39...Bf3∓ -1.09/22 40.Qxb5+ Qxb5 41.Nxb5 Ke7]
40.Nxb5? -2.47/25
[Better is 40.Qxb5+∓ -0.39/23 Qxb5 41.Nxb5]
40...Qc6? -0.01/24
[40...Ke7-+ -2.47/25 41.Qa3 Qxa3 42.Nxa3 c3]
41.Nd6+= Kd7 42.Nxb7
[42.f3 feels hotter. f5 43.Qa7 Qxf3 44.Nxb7 Qxg3+ 45.Kf1]
42...Qxb7 Endgame KQ-KQ **43.Qc5 Qc6** -0.01/24
[43...Qc7∓ -0.62/23 44.Qd4+ Kc8]
44.Qf8 c3 aiming for ...Qc4. **45.Qxf7+ Kc8 46.Qg8+**
[46.Qxh7 c2 47.Qg8+ Kb7 48.Qf7+ Kb6 49.Qf4 c1Q+ 50.Qxc1 Qxc1+ 51.Kh2 Qxh6+ 52.Kg2 Qh5 53.Kf1 Kc5 54.Ke1 Kd4 55.Kf1 Qh2

56.Ke2 Qg2 57.g4 g5 58.Kd1 Qxf2 59.Kc1 Kc3 60.Kd1 Qf1#]

46...Kb7 47.Qxh7+ Ka6

[47...Kb6!? 48.Qe7 *(48.Qxg6? c2-+)* 48...c2 49.Qb4+ Kc7 50.Qe7+ Kc8 51.Qf8+ Kd7 52.Qg7+ Kd8 53.Qf8+ Kd7 54.Qg7+ Kd8 55.Qf8+ Kd7=]

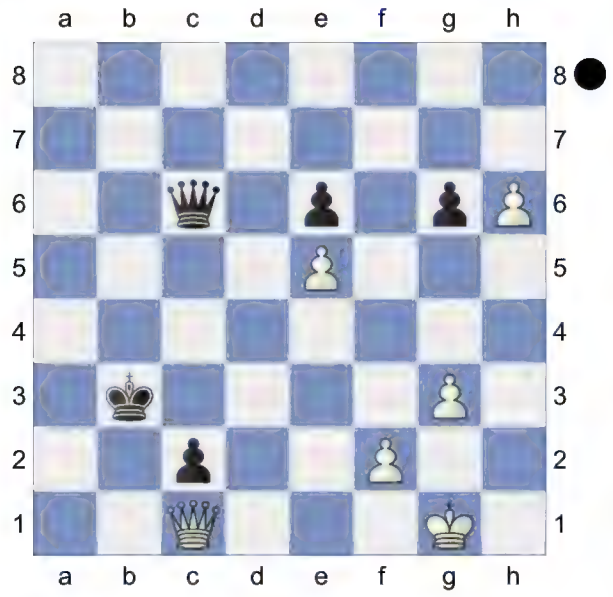
48.Qe7

[Avoid the trap 48.Qxg6? c2 49.Qd3+ Kb7-+]

48...c2 49.Qa3+ Kb5! 50.Qb2+ Ka4!⇄ Black is not keeping still **51.Qa2+ Kb4 52.Qb2+ Ka4 53.Qa1+** -8.15/27

[53.Qc1= 0.01/25 Kb3 54.h7]

53...Kb3-+ 54.Qc1



Qd7 -0.01/23

[54...Qf3!-+ -4.42/23 (→ ...Qd1+) 55.Kh2 Qxf2+ 56.Kh3 g5]

55.Qe3+= The position is equal.

55...Ka2 And now ...Qd1+ would win.

56.Kh2 Kb1 57.Qb6+ Kc1 58.Qe3+ Kd1 59.Qf3+ Ke1 60.Qc3+ Kd1 61.Qf3+ Ke1 62.Qe3+ Kd1 63.Qf3+ Quite a comeback for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.55/Black=0.47

½-½

85 **C02**

□ **Protagonist98** **2637**

■ **TargetPractice22** **2614**

Blitz 06.01.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Nge7**

[7...Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 h6 10.h5 a6 11.a3 Rc8 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nd4 14.Bb2 Ndf5 15.Na4 Qa7 16.Nc5 Bb5 17.Bc2 b6 18.Nb3 Ba4 19.g4 g6 20.gxf5 gxf5 21.Rc1 Rc4 22.Nbd4 Reindl,J (2394)-Brachtel,R (2603) Leningrad 2022 Inf 70 [John Watson] 0-1 (36)]

8.cxd4 Bd7

[8...Nxd4? 9.Nxd4 Nc6 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Nc3+-]

[8...Nf5 9.Bxf5 exf5 10.Nc3 Be6 11.Na4 Qa6 12.Ng5 Nb4 13.Nxe6 Qxe6 14.a3 Nc6 15.Be3 Be7 16.Nc3 0-0 17.Qb3 Rfd8 18.Qd1 a6 19.b4 b5 20.Ne2 a5 21.Nf4 Qd7 22.bxa5 Rxa5 23.Qb3 Ross,L-Ashok,A (545) Perth 2023 1-0 (73)]

9.Nc3 -0.19/18

[9.Kh1 0.15/18 should be considered.]

9...a6N 0.82/19

[9...Nxd4= -0.19/18 10.Nxd4 Qxd4 11.Nb5 Qxe5 12.Re1 Qb8 13.Qf3 Bxb5 14.Bxb5+ Nc6 15.Qxd5 Qd6 16.Qf3 Be7 17.Bf4 Qc5 18.a4 Rc8 19.Rac1 Qb6 20.Be3 Qa5 21.Red1 0-0 22.Rd7 Ne5 23.Qd1 Rxc1 24.Qxc1 Nxd7 25.Bxd7 Qd5 Lutes-Kholopov,A USSR 26/345 1996 CYB 01 [John Watson] 0-1 (85) 26.Bb5 Rd8 27.Be2 a6 28.Bf3 Qd7 29.Qc2 Rc8 30.Qb3 b5 31.axb5 Qxb5 32.Qa2 Bf6 33.b3 Rb8

34.Be2 Qxb3 35.Qxa6 Qb1+ 36.Bf1 Be5 37.g3 Qe4 38.Bg2 Rb1+ 39.Bf1 g6 40.Bh6 Qb7 Liccardo,C-Kahn,R Irland Long 1996 0-1 (85)]

[9...Ng6 10.Be3 Be7 11.Qe2 0-0 12.Rfc1 f6 13.exf6 Bxf6 14.Na4 Qc7 15.Nc5 Rae8 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.Nd3 Qd8 18.Nde5 Bxe5 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.dxe5 Bc6 21.Qg4 Rf5 22.Qxg6 d4 23.Bh6 Qe7 24.Rd1 Chapter-Games Game 4 (35)]

10.Na4± Qc7 11.Be3 Nb4 1.13/20

[⌓11...Na5 0.79/16]

12.Bb1 0.75/19

[⌓12.Rc1 1.13/20 Qd8 13.Nc5]

12...Nf5 13.a3 And now Bxf5 would win.

13...Nc6 14.Bd3 0.54/20

[14.Bxf5± 0.98/17 Threatens to win with Bd3. exf5 15.Rc1]

14...Be7 15.Rc1 0.48/19

[15.Bxf5± 0.80/20 Strongly threatening Bd3. exf5 16.Rc1]

15...0-0 16.Nc5 0.43/18

[Better is 16.Bxf5± 0.76/19 Black must now prevent Bb1. exf5 17.Qb3]

16...Bxc5 17.Rxc5 Nxe3 18.fxe3 f6 0.99/20

[18...Qd8± 0.61/19]

19.exf6 Rxf6 1.73/21

[19...gxf6± 0.91/20 20.e4 dxe4 21.Bxe4 f5]

20.Bxh7+? -1.40/20 **Kxh7∓ 21.Ng5+ Kg8** 0.99/25

[21...Kh8 22.Rxf6]

[21...Kg6= -0.01/24 remains equal. 22.Qg4 Rxf1+ 23.Kxf1 Rf8+ 24.Kg1 Qb8]

22.Qh5± Threatening mate with Rxf6.

22...Rxf1+

[22...Rh6? is a self mate. 23.Qf7+ Kh8 24.Qf8+!! Rxf8 25.Rxf8#]

23.Kxf1 Rf8+ 2.22/27

[23...Qc8± 1.11/25]

24.Kg1+- Rf5 25.Qh7+ Kf8 26.Qh8+ Deflection **26...Ke7 27.Qxg7+ Kd8 28.Qg8+** White has strong compensation.

[Resist 28.g4?! Rxg5 29.Qxg5+ Kc8]

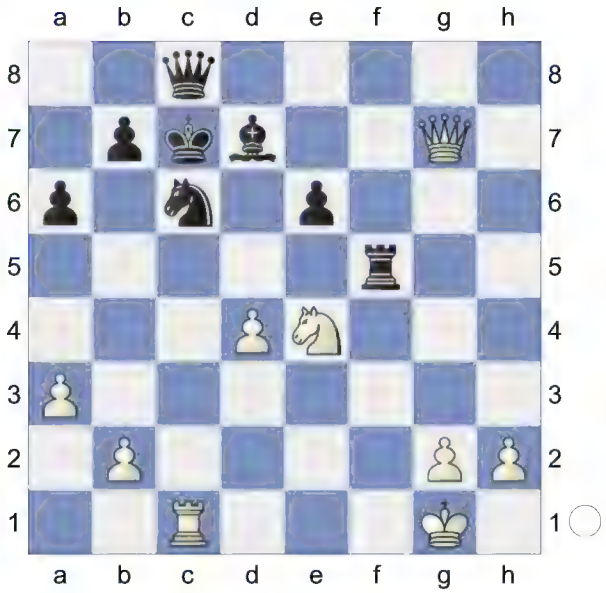
28...Ke7 29.Rc1? -0.01/21 Chess con chili.

[29.g4+- 2.20/22 Rxg5 30.Qxg5+ Ke8 31.Qg8+ Ke7 32.Qg7+ Kd8 33.Qg8+ Ke7 34.Rc2]

29...Qc8 1.00/22

[29...Qb6= -0.01/21 keeps the balance. 30.Qg7+ Ke8 31.Qg6+ Ke7 32.Qg7+ Ke8 33.Qg6+ Ke7 34.Qg7+]

30.Qg7+± Kd6 ...Qf8 is the strong threat. **31.e4** &Bianco is much more active. **31...dxe4 32.Nxe4+ Kc7**



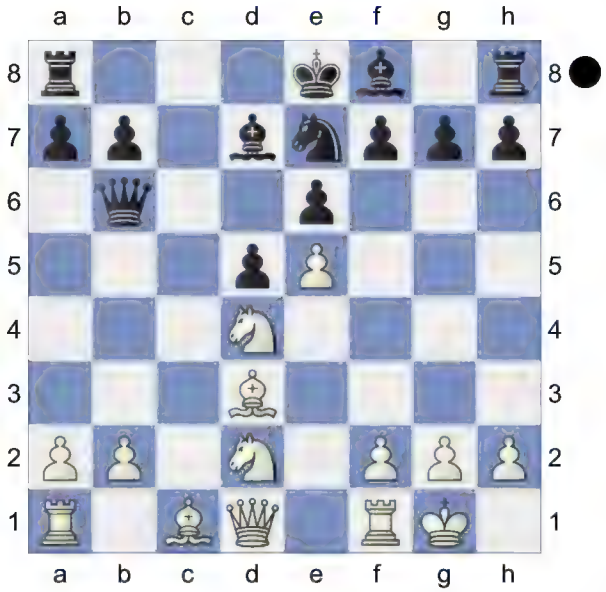
33.Qg3+! Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/Black=0.34

[Not 33.Qe7? Kb6 34.Qg7 *(34.Qd6? Rd5-+)* 34...Qd8-+]

1-0

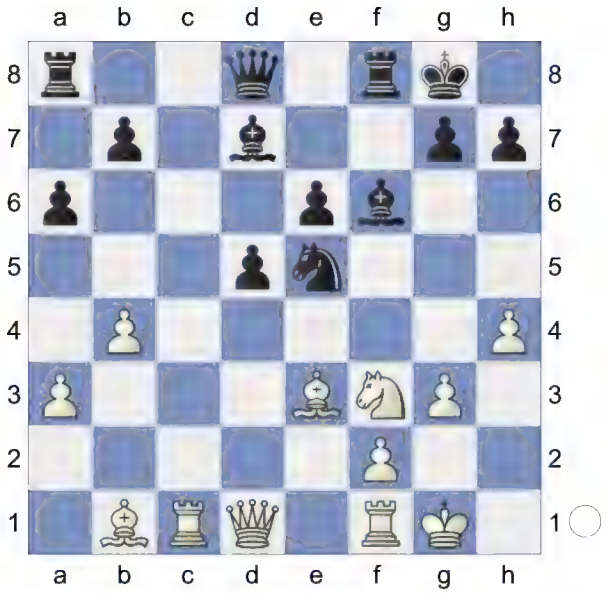
86 **C02**
□ **Kjetil_Lie80** **2637**
■ **madcap_tr** **2545**
Blitz 26.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nbd2 Ne7** 0.10/21
[⌓9...Bc5 -0.24/20]
10.Nxd4=



Remove Defender **10...Qxd4 11.Nf3 Qb6** The position is equal. **12.Be3 Qd8 13.Rc1** White has compensation. **13...Nc6 14.a3 Be7 15.b4 a6 16.g3N**
[16.Re1 Qb8 17.Bc5 h6 18.Bb1 Bxc5 19.Rxc5 Qd8 20.Qd3 Rc8 21.Rec1 Ne7 Drygalov,A-Gay,E Soviet Union 200 Traps In The Opening [Dundua,V]]
16...0-0 17.h4 f6 18.exf6 Bxf6 19.Bb1 Ne5? 1.58/22
[19...Be8= 0.05/21 20.Bc5 Rf7]

(Diagram)



20.Nxe5± &Bianco is more active. White is clearly better. **20...Bxe5 21.Qh5! Rf5 22.Bxf5 exf5 23.Rfd1** 1.34/20
[23.Qf3+- 1.88/22 Be6 24.Rfe1]
23...Bc6 2.19/24
[23...g6± 1.34/20 keeps fighting. 24.Qe2 Bc6]
24.Qxf5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.35
1-0

87 **C02**
□ **Peter_Shaw** **2634**
■ **TalChessMaster06** **2462**
Rapid 05.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nbd2 Nc6 10.Nb3 Nge7 11.Be3 Qd8** The position is equal.
[11...Qc7 12.Rc1 Ng6 13.Nc5 Bxc5 14.Bxc5 Ngxe5 15.Re1 Rc8 16.Ba3 Nxd3 17.Qxd3 Ne5 18.Rxc7 Nxd3 19.Rxc8+ Bxc8 20.Rd1 Nf4 21.g3 Ng6 22.Rc1 Kd7 23.Ng5 f6 24.Nf7

Rg8 25.Bd6 e5 26.f4 Nun,J (2445)-Schmittdiel,E (2455) Prague 1990 CBM 017 [Knaak,Rainer] 0-1 (39)]

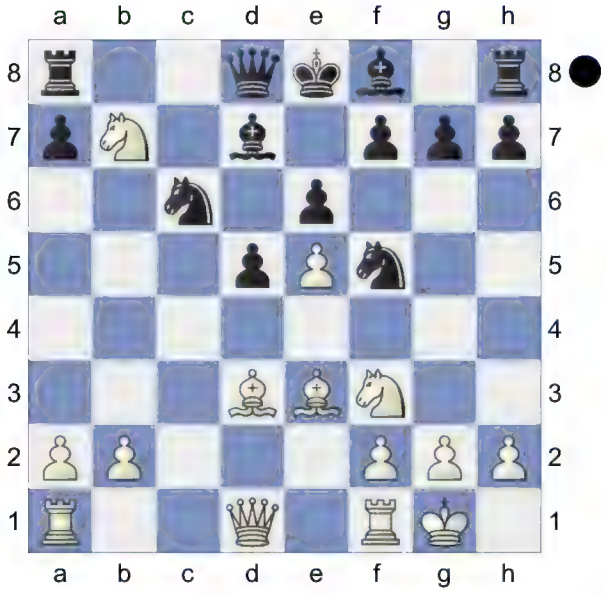
12.Nc5 Nf5N 0.97/20

[12...Qc7= 0.08/17 remains equal.]

[12...b6 13.Nb7 1-0 (13) Kilic,E (2414)-Santos Flores,A (2164) Chess.com INT 2023]

13.Bxf5± Black must now prevent Bc2.

[And not 13.Nxb7



Nxe3! 14.fxe3 Qb6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qxe3+ 17.Rf2 f6∓]

13...Bxc5 14.Bxc5 Hoping for Bd3.

14...exf5 15.Nd4 0.75/21

[⌓15.Rc1 1.11/17]

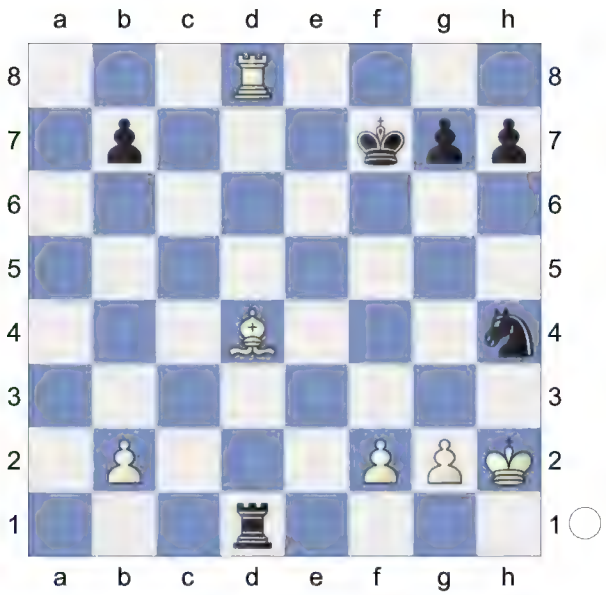
15...Ne7 16.Re1 0-0 17.e6 fxe6 18.Nxe6 Bxe6 19.Rxe6 Re8 20.Qe2 0.25/22

[20.h3± 0.68/19 is more appropriate.]

20...Ng6!= 21.Re1 Kf7 22.h4 Qd7 23.Qf3 Rxe6 24.Qxf5+ Kg8 25.Qxe6+ Qxe6 26.Rxe6 Nxh4 Endgame KRB-KRN **27.Rd6 Rc8 28.Bxa7 Ra8 29.Bd4** 0.41/25

[29.Bc5± 0.80/22]

29...Rxa2± 30.Rxd5 Ra1+ 31.Kh2 aiming for Bc3. **31...Rd1 32.Rd8+ Kf7** (Diagram)



33.Bf6! Rxd8 34.Bxd8= KB-KN

34...Nf5 35.Kh3 Ke6 36.Kg4 Nd6 37.Bc7 Nc4 38.b4 -0.73/23

[38.b3= -0.08/24 Nd2 39.b4]

38...Nb2 -0.01/22

[38...b5∓ -0.73/23]

39.Bf4 -0.72/23

[39.f4= -0.01/22]

39...Nd3∓ 40.Bd2 Nxf2+ 41.Kf3 Nd3 42.Ke4 Nb2 0.05/24

[42...Ne5∓ -1.01/27]

43.g4 -1.21/26

[43.Bc3= 0.05/24 Nc4 44.Bxg7]

43...Nc4 44.Bc3 -1.62/27

[44.Bf4∓ -1.05/24 was called for.]

44...Nd6+-+ 45.Kf4 g6 46.g5? -3.42/29

[46.Bg7∓ -1.21/24]

46...Nf5? -0.01/29

[46...Nb5-+ -3.42/29 47.Ba1 Kd5]

47.Bb2 -4.25/29

[47.Ke4!= -0.01/29]

47...Kd5 48.Bc3 -9.62/28

[⌓48.Ba1 -5.18/29 Kc4 49.Ke5]

48...b5 49.Be1 Nd4 50.Bd2 Ne6+ 51.Kg4 Ke4 52.Be1 Nc7 53.Bg3 Nd5 54.Bd6 Ne3+ 55.Kg3? -#17/26

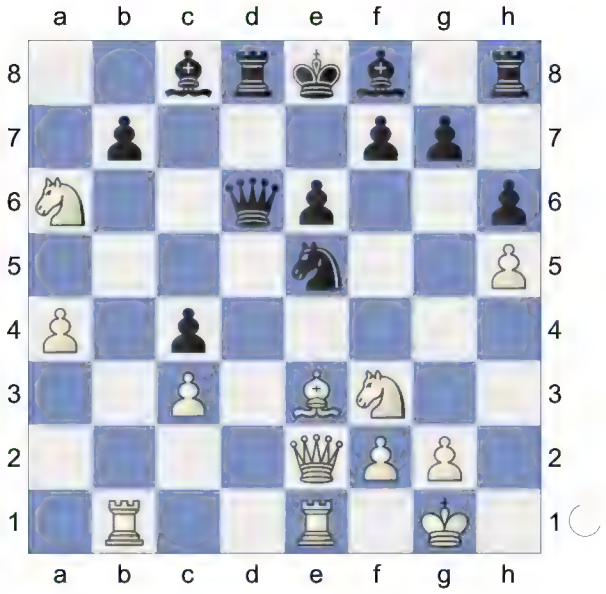
[55.Kh3-+ -2.93/26]

55...Nf5+ Weighted Error Value:

White=0.66/Black=0.32
0-1

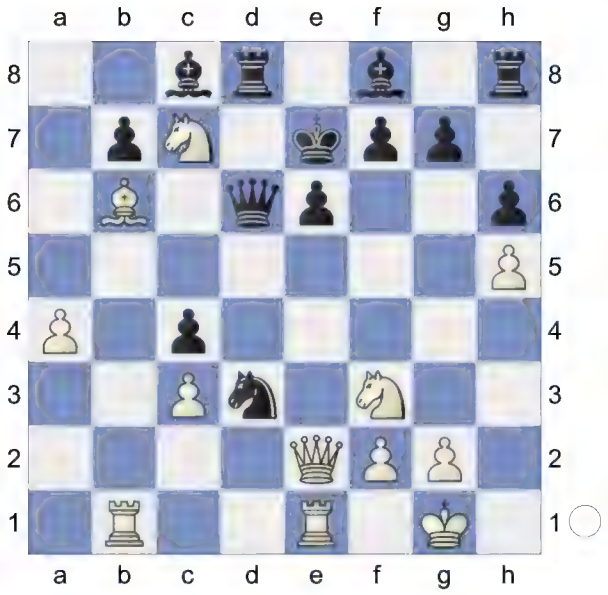
88 **C02**
□ **Adhiban,Baskaran** **2633**
■ **Budisavljevic,Luka** **2509**
I Menorca Open 2022 (6.4) 23.04.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...h6 10.h5 a6 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Nc8**
[12...Qc7 13.c4 Nb4 14.Bf1 dxc4 15.Nxc4 Ned5 16.Bb2 Bc5 17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Qd2 Qb6 19.Rab1 Qa7 20.Bd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qc5 22.a3 Nc6 23.Rxb7 Rd8 24.Nxc6 Bxc6 25.Rc1 Qxd6 26.exd6 Bxb7 27.Qb2 1-0 Carlsen,M (2853)-Terry,R (2520) Titled 3th Jun Early 2023 (11)]
13.Nb3
[13.Rb1!? Qc7 14.Bb2±]
13...Qc7! 14.a4N
[14.Bf4 Na5 15.Nxa5 Qxa5 16.Qd2 Nb6 17.Rab1 Rc8 18.Qe2 Na4 19.Bd2 Qc7 20.Qe3 b5 21.Rbc1 Nb2 22.Nd4 Nxd3 23.Qxd3 Qc4 24.Qg3 Qxa2 25.Be3 Qc4 26.f4 Qd3 27.f5 Rxc3 28.Rxc3 Qxc3 0-1 Schmidt,M (2113)-Tiglon,B (2509) GRENKE Chess Open 2024 (1.41)]
[14.Qd2 Nb6 15.Qf4 Rc8 16.Rb1 Nd8 17.Be3 Nc4 18.Bd4 Bb5 19.Qg3 Na3 20.Bxb5+ axb5 21.Rbd1 Ra8 22.Rd2 Nc4 23.Rde2 b6 24.Nh4 Rg8 25.f4 Be7 26.Nf3 g6 27.hxg6 fxg6 28.Qh3 h5 ½-½ Petkov,M (2540)-Mendonca,L (2622) ROM-chT Mamaia 2024 (4.1)]
14...Nb6! 15.Be3 -0.58/20
[15.Qe2= 0.04/20]
15...Nc4 0.34/20
[15...Nd8!∓ -0.58/20]
16.Bxc4± dxc4 17.Nc5 Rd8 ...Bd7-c8 is the strong threat. **18.Rb1** -0.42/22
[White should play 18.Ne4= 0.25/23]
18...Bc8!∓ 19.Qe2 Nxe5 20.Nxa6 -1.74/25 **Qd6??** 2.05/21
[20...bxa6-+ -1.74/25 and life is good for Black. 21.Bb6 Nxf3+ 22.Qxf3 Qd7]

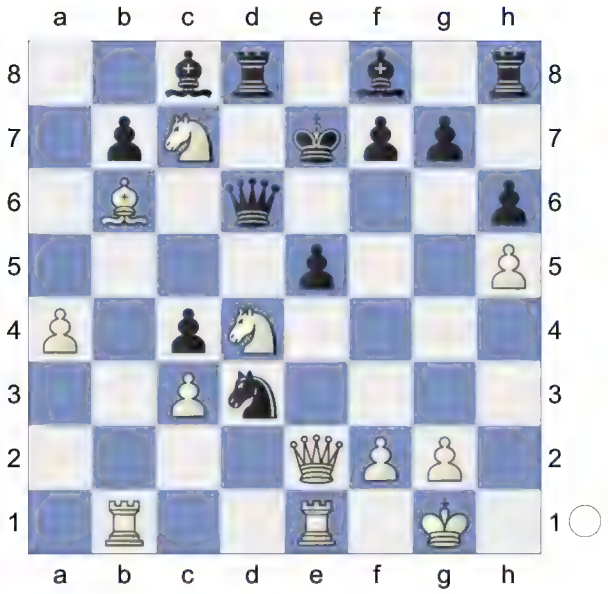


21.Bb6+- Nd3 3.39/20
[⌓21...Nxf3+ 2.14/17 22.Qxf3 Rd7 *(22...bxa6 23.Red1±)*]
22.Nc7+ Ke7

(Diagram)

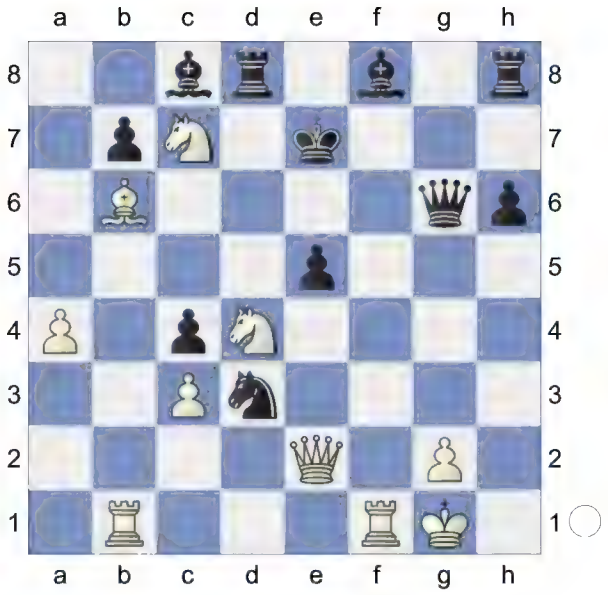


23.Nd4! Black must now prevent Nd4-f5+. Excellent horsemanship. **23...e5**
[23...g6 24.hxg6]

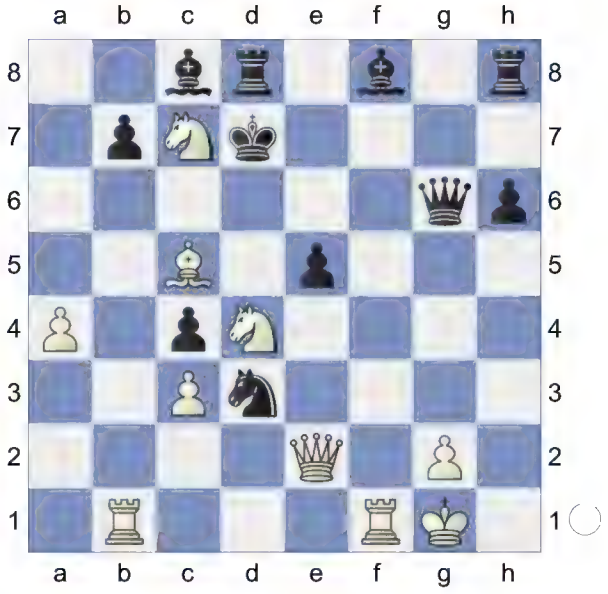


24.f4! White is clearly winning. **24...f6**
[24...Nxe1? is the wrong capture. 25.fxe5 *(25.Qxe1 Qf6+-; 25.Qxe1 Kd7+-)*]
[24...Nxf4 25.Qxc4]
25.fxe5 fxe5 26.Rf1 g6 27.hxg6 Qxg6

(Diagram)



28.Bc5+! Decoy **28...Kd7**
[28...Rd6 29.Bxd6+]

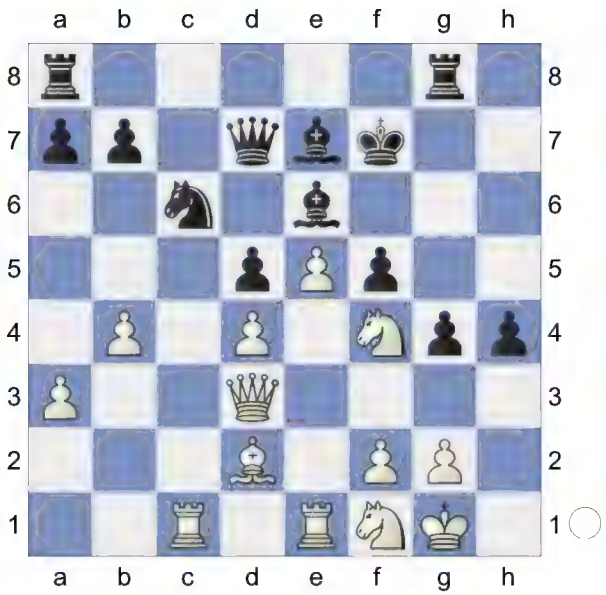


29.Qg4+!! Double Attack **29...Kxc7**
30.Nb5+ Discovered Attack **30...Kb8**
31.Ba7+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.60
1-0

89 **C02**
□ **Christiansen,Johan-Sebastian 2629**
■ **Tregubov,Pavel V. 2567**
Titled Tue 16. Jan Early (11) 16.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c3 d5**
[3...Nf6 4.e5 Nd5 5.d4 cxd4 6.cxd4 Nc6 7.Nc3 d6 8.Nxd5 exd5 9.Bd3 dxe5 10.dxe5 Be7 11.h3 h6 12.0-0 Be6 13.a3 0-0 14.Bb1 f5 15.exf6 Rxf6 16.Re1 Qd7 17.b4 Raf8 18.Bb2 Sermek,A (1678)-Fields,P (1942) Linz 2023 CT-1266 [John Watson] 0-1 (76)]
4.e5N
[4.exd5 Qxd5 5.d4 cxd4 6.cxd4 Nf6 7.Nc3 Qa5 8.Bd3 Be7 9.0-0 Nc6 10.Qe2 0-0 11.Rd1 Bd7 12.Ne5 Rad8 13.Bc4 Be8 14.Nf3 Nb4 15.Bg5 h6 16.Bh4 Bc6 17.Ne5 Bd5 18.a3 Nc6 Varga,Z (2450)-Fogarasi,T (2505) Budapest 1996 CBM 057 [Har Zvi,Ronen] 1-0 (50) 19.Nxd5 exd5 20.Nxc6 bxc6 21.Qxe7 Rfe8 22.Qb7 dxc4 23.Bxf6 gxf6 24.Qxc6 Qb6 25.Qxc4 Qxb2 26.Qd3 Rxd4 27.Qxd4 Re1+ 28.Rxe1 Qxd4 29.Rad1 Qc5 30.Rd3 h5 31.h4 Qc4 32.Rh3 Kf8 33.Ree3 Qc1+ 12.♗f2 g5 13.♖c1 (2450)-Gerards,A (2505) Amsterdam 1996 CBM 197 [Krezhanovsky,Sergey] 1-0 (50) 34.Kh2 Qc7+ 35.Rhg3 Qf4 36.Ref3 Qxh4+ 37.Rh3 Qg5 38.g3 Kg7 39.Rh4 Kg6 40.Ra4 a5 41.Raf4 Qe5 42.Kh3 f5 43.a4 Qd5 44.Kh2 Kg5 45.Re3 Qc5 46.Kh3 Qd5 47.Ref3 Kg6 48.Kh2 Kg5 12.♗f2 g5 13.♖c1 (2450)-Gerards,A (2505) Amsterdam 1996 CBM 197 [Krezhanovsky,Sergey] 1-0 (50)]
4...Nc6 5.d4 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 The position is equal. **9...Nf5 10.Bxf5 exf5 11.cxd4 Be7 12.Nc3 Be6 13.h5 h6 14.a3 g5** 0.70/20
[14...0-0= 0.16/20]
15.hxg6!± fxg6 16.b4 Qd8 0.88/20
[16...g5± 0.55/20]
17.Qd3
[17.Nb5 seems wilder. Qd7 18.Qe2 Kf7 19.Nd6+]
17...g5 18.Bd2 Qd7 0.82/18
[18...a6± 0.51/20]
19.Rac1 0.37/21 &Bianco is more active.
[19.b5± 0.82/18 Nd8 20.Ne2]
19...g4 0.76/23
[19...a6± 0.37/21]
20.Nh2± h5 1.27/22
[⌓20...a6 0.94/18]
21.Ne2 h4 1.66/21
[21...Bd8± 1.18/21 was worth a try. 22.Nf4 h4]
22.Nf4 0.97/20
[22.b5+- 1.66/21 Nd8 23.Nf4]
22...Rg8 1.88/22
[22...a6± 0.97/20 was called for. 23.Nf1 Rf8]
23.Nf1 1.44/20
[Better is 23.Nxe6+- 1.88/22 Qxe6 24.b5]
23...Kf7? 3.13/21
[23...a6± 1.44/20 24.Ne3 g3]

(Diagram)

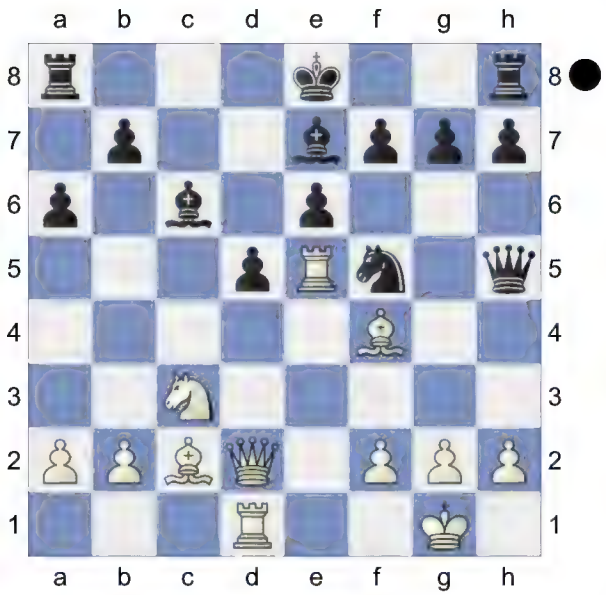


Black cannot hold the game after this.
24.Ne3 Raf8 4.96/23
[⌓24...Bg5 3.21/19]
25.Nexd5+- Pair of Knights!
[Not 25.b5 Nd8 26.Rc2 Bg5+-]
25...Bg5? 9.03/22
[25...g3 3.96/20 26.b5 gxf2+ 27.Kxf2 Rg3]
26.Nxe6 White is clearly winning.
26...Qxe6 27.Bxg5 Qxd5 28.Qxf5+
Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) /Black=0.48
1-0

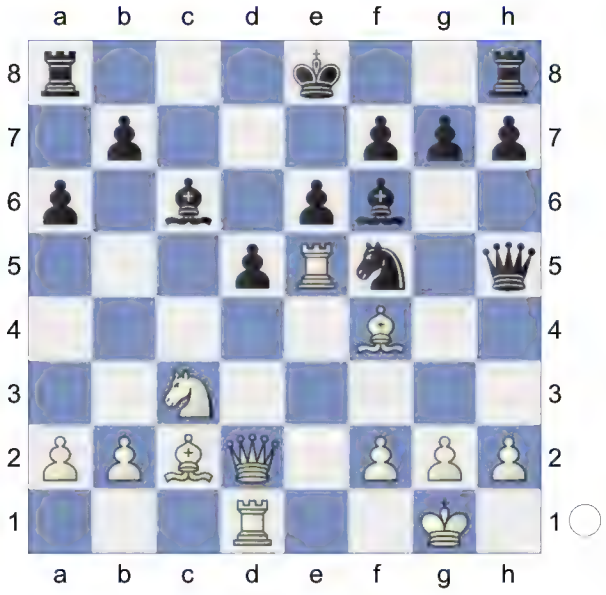
90 **C02**
□ **nobitski** **2625**
■ **Erfanashuriii** **2450**
Rapid 26.02.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.Nc3 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.0-0 a6 11.Re1 Ne7 12.Be3**
[12.Qf3 Ng6 13.Bxg6 hxg6 14.Qf4 Qxf4 15.Bxf4 Bb4 16.Rec1 Rc8 17.a3 Ba5 18.Ne2 0-0 19.Nd4 f6 20.Nf3 Kf7 21.h3 Bb6 22.Be3 Bxe3 23.fxe3 Bb5 24.Kf2 Bd3 25.exf6 gxf6 26.Nd4 e5 Hoffmann,W (1425)-Niebler,P (1906) Nuremberg 2013 EXT 2016 [ChessBase II] 0-1 (59)]
12...Qxe5 13.Bc2N
[13.Qg4 h5 14.Qb4 Nc6 15.Qxb7 Rb8 16.Qxa6 Nb4 17.Qa7 Nxd3 18.Bd4 Qd6 19.Re3 Nb4 20.Be5 Qb6 21.Bxb8 Qxa7 22.Bxa7 Nc2 23.Rd1 Nxe3 24.Bxe3 Be7 25.a4 Bb4 26.a5 Bxa5 27.Bc5 Bxc3 7.e3 Bd7 8.Nc3 (2160)-Jacobson (2491) Game 9 2010 MBM Tarrasch [Machulsky,A] 0-1 (53) 28.bxc3 Kd8 29.Ra1 Kc7 30.Bd4 f6 31.Ra7+ Kc6 32.f4 Re8 33.Ra6+ Kb5 34.Rd6 Bc8 35.Kf2 Kc4 36.Ke2 e5 37.Rc6+ Kb3 38.fxe5 fxe5 39.Bf2 Kc2 40.h3 Bf5 41.Ke3 Bd3 42.Bg3 Bc4 Vazquez Torres,A (2160)-Moreno Ruiz,J (2491) Madrid 2010 CBM 140 [Moskalenko,Viktor] 0-1 (53)]
[13.Na4 Bxa4 14.Qxa4+ Nc6 15.Rac1 Qd6 16.a3 Be7 17.Qc2 h6 18.b4 d4 19.Bd2 Bg5 20.Be4 Bxd2 21.Bxc6+ bxc6 22.Qxd2 0-0 23.Rc5 a5 24.Rec1 axb4 25.Rxc6 Qd5 26.R6c5 Qb3 27.axb4 Rfb8 Prie,E (2053)-Jourdren,K (1781) Sautron 2012 EXT 2014 [ChessBase II] 0-1]
13...Bc6 14.Qd2 -0.91/18
[14.Bd4∓ -0.45/16 Qd6 15.Qh5]
14...Qh5∓ Black is better. **15.Rad1** -1.03/19
[15.Ne2∓ -0.68/17 is superior.]
15...Nf5 16.Bf4 Be7 17.Re5

(Diagram)



Hoping for Bxf5. **17...Bf6!** 0.01/20



18.Rxf5!= **exf5** **19.Re1+** **Kf8** Strongly threatening ...d4. **20.Nxd5** **Qg4** 0.79/22

[20...Bxb2 gets mated. 21.Qb4+ Kg8 22.Ne7+ Kf8 23.Ng6+ Kg8 24.Qf8+!! Rxf8 25.Ne7#]

[20...Qh4= -0.01/20 keeps the balance.]

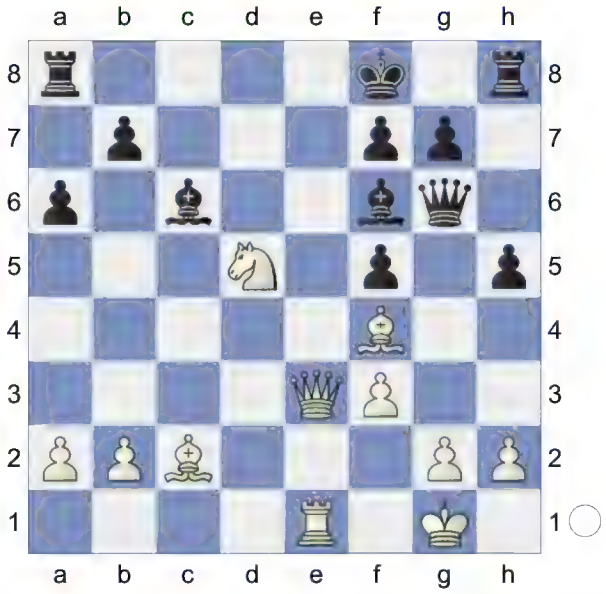
21.f3± Dancing on a razor blade. **21...Qg6** 1.17/22

[⌓21...Qh4 0.80/25]

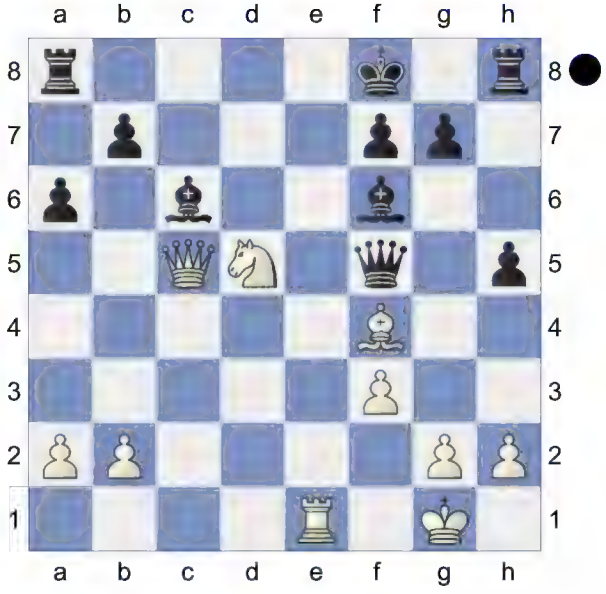
22.Qe3! 0x0.001331ca8b9edp-1022s more active pieces. The black rooks are badly placed. **22...h5** 1.54/21

[22...Bxd5 is a self mate. 23.Bd6+]

[Better is 22...Kg8 1.09/20]



Against g4 **23.Bxf5?** -2.66/22 **Qxf5-+** **24.Qc5+**



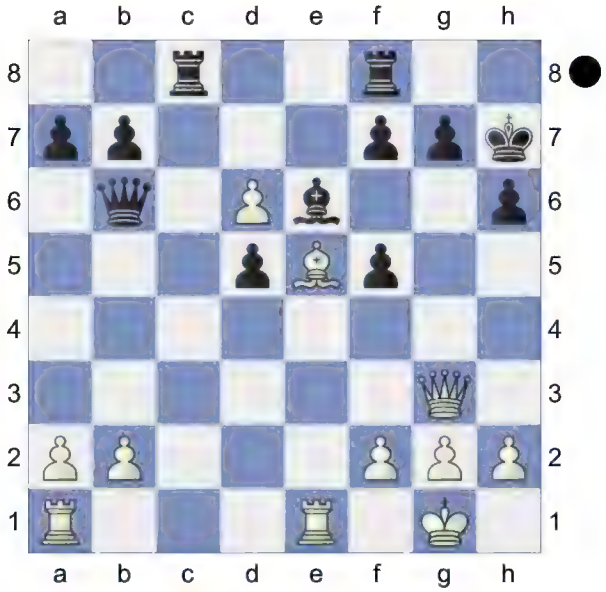
Be7! **25.Qxe7+** **Kg8** **26.Qe5** **Qxe5** **27.Rxe5** **Bxd5** **28.Rxd5** Endgame KRR-KRB **28...Kh7** -1.35/21

[Black should play 28...Rc8-+ -2.57/21 Threatens to win with ...Rc2. 29.b4 Rc4]

29.Rxh5+∓ Kg6 -0.52/21
[29...Kg8∓ -1.24/22 30.Rd5 Rc8]
30.Rc5 -1.68/21
[30.Rg5+∓ -0.52/21 Kf6 31.Rg4]
30...Rac8-+ 31.Rg5+ Kf6 32.Rg4 Rc2 Inhibits Bd2. **33.Be3 Rd8??** 5.15/22
[33...Ke6-+ -1.75/19 avoids the disaster. 34.Bd4 Rc1+ 35.Kf2 Rxh2 36.Rxg7 Rc2+ 37.Kg1 Rh6]
34.Bg5++- Skewer **34...Ke6 35.Bxd8** KRB-KR **35...g6 36.Rb4 b5 37.h4 Rd2 38.Bg5 Rd1+ 39.Kf2 f6 40.Re4+ Kf5 41.Rf4+** 10.99/23
[⌓41.g4# #1/6]
41...Ke5 42.Rxf6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/Black=0.97
1-0

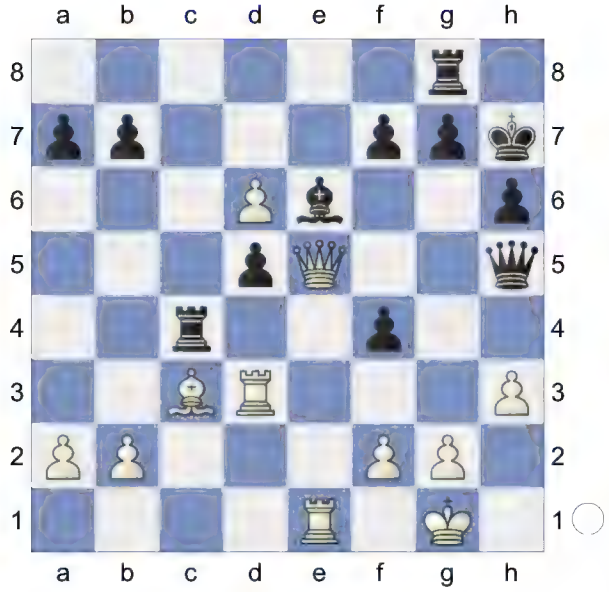
91 **C02**
□ **Naroditsky,D** **2619**
■ **Sohal,T** **2234**
Titled Tue 17th Jun Late blitz (1) 17.6.25
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c3 d5 4.e5 Nc6 5.d4 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 dxc3 0.59/19
[Black should try 7...Bd7= 0.07/19]
8.Nxc3± h6N 1.04/20
[8...Nge7± 0.33/20 9.Be3 Qd8 10.Bg5 Qb6 11.h4 Ng6 12.h5 Ngxe5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.Re1 VI.F) French Defence with 5..-8. Nxc3 Nge7 #3]
[8...Bd7 9.Re1 *(9.Be3 Qd8 10.h4 Nge7 11.h5 h6 12.Rc1 g5 13.hxg6 Nxg6 14.Bxg6 fxg6 15.Nb5 a6 16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 0-0 18.Bxh6 Rf5 19.g4 Rxf3 20.Qxf3 Nd4 21.Qe3 e5 22.Kg2 Qf6 23.f3 Qxd6* 1-0 (31) Odeev,H (2245)-Korkmaz,N (2091) Cesme op-A 9th 2023 (4)) 9...a6 10.Be3 Qc7 11.Rc1 Nge7 12.Bc5 Ng6 13.Bd6 Bxd6 14.Nxd5 Qa5 15.Bxg6 Qxd5 16.Qxd5 exd5 17.exd6+ Be6 18.Rxe6+ Kd7 19.Bxf7 Rhf8 20.Ne5+ Nxe5 21.Rc7+ Kd8 22.Rxe5 Rc8 23.Rxc8+ 1-0 (37) Leve,N (2128)-Sydykov,B (2268) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (1)]
9.Be3± White is better. **9...Qd8 10.Re1** 0.67/20
[Better is 10.Rc1± 1.07/20]
10...Nge7 11.Nb5 0.63/20 White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive.
[11.Rc1± 0.99/19]
11...Nf5± 12.Bxf5 exf5 13.Bf4 0.14/20
[13.Rc1± 0.84/21]
13...Be6= 14.Nd6+ Bxd6 15.exd6 0-0 Black is weak on the dark squares
16.Nd4 Nxd4 17.Qxd4 Qb6 18.Qc3 Rac8 19.Qg3 Kh7 20.Be5



Rg8 21.Rad1 Qb4 22.Bc3 Qg4 23.Qe5 Rc4 24.h3 -0.23/22
[⌓24.Rd4 0.17/22 Rxd4 25.Bxd4]
24...Qh5 0.65/19

[24...Qf4= -0.23/22]
25.Rd3 0.21/19
[25.Rxd5± 0.65/19 Qg5 *(25...Bxd5? 26.Qxd5 Rcc8 27.d7+-)* 26.Rd4 Rxd4 27.Qxd4]
25...f4? 12.73/21

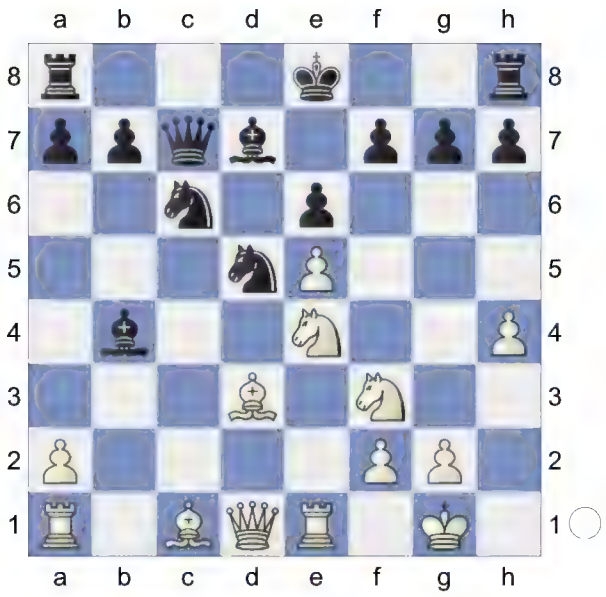


Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=0.45
26.Qxh5
1-0

92 **C02**
□ **Naroditsky,Daniel** **2619**
■ **Sivakumar,Shaaketh** **2306**
Titled Tue 29th Oct Late (9) 29.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Nc8** 0.65/20
[Better is 9...Rc8= 0.15/19]
[9...a6 10.h5 *(10.a3 Rc8 11.Qd2 h6 12.Qf4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Na5 14.Be3 Qd8 15.g4 g6 16.Qf6 Rg8 17.Rad1 Nc4 18.Bc1 Nxa3 19.Nd2 Nb5 20.Bxb5 axb5 21.Nde4 dxe4 22.Nxe4 Nd5 23.Rxd5 Be7 24.Bxh6 Bxf6* ½-½ Proenca,A (1963)-Malinovsky,J (2094) CUB corr Cuba 1993 (8.7)*)* 10...g6 11.Nbd2 gxh5 12.Nb3 dxc3 13.bxc3 Ng6 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Nbd4 Bg7 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Ba3 Bf8 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 19.Qd2 h6 20.Nd4 Ke7 21.f4 Rag8 22.Qf2 Kd7 23.Rb2 Ne7 24.f5 1-0 Ganguly,S (2646)-Cheng,B (2476) Wch Rapid Almaty 2022 (9)]
10.Nbd2N 0.07/17 White is more active.
[10.a3± 0.65/20 a5 11.Nbd2 Be7 12.Qc2 h6 13.Nb3 dxc3 14.bxc3 0-0 15.Rb1 Qc7 16.Nbd4 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 Bxh4 18.Bb5 Bc6 19.Qe2 Bxb5 20.Nxb5 Qe7 21.Qg4 Kh8 22.g3 f5 23.Qxh4 Qc5 24.Be3 Qc6 25.Nd6 1-0 Fryar,J (1556)-Vaatainen, T (1740) 110/(172) Plovdiv 2010 (15) Nxd6 26.exd6 Qxd6 27.Bd4 Qd7 28.Qxh6+ Kg8 29.Qxe6+ Qxe6 30.Rxe6 Rfe8 31.Rbe1 Rxe6 32.Rxe6 Kf7 33.Rb6 Rb8 34.Be5 Re8 35.f4 Re7 36.Rb5 a4 37.Rxd5 g6 38.Ra5 b6 39.Rxa4 g5 40.Rb4 1-0 Sivanandan,B (1556)-Subramanian,A (1740) UK-ch Blitz (Women) 2022 (15)]
10...dxc3= 11.bxc3 Qc7 12.c4 aiming for c4xd5. **12...Nb6** 0.66/19
[12...Nb4!= -0.05/18 13.Bf1 dxc4]
13.cxd5!± Nxd5 14.Ne4 -0.10/21
[14.Bb2!± 0.80/18]
14...Bb4 0.32/20
[14...Nxe5= -0.10/21 15.Nxe5 Qxe5]

(Diagram)



15.Nd6+! -0.09/19 **Bxd6= 16.exd6 Qxd6 17.Bb2**

[17.Ng5 is interesting. h6 18.Qh5 0-0 19.Nh7]

17...0-0 18.Bxh7+ Decoy **18...Kxh7 19.Ng5+ Kg6!** Strongly threatening ...f7-f5.

[Weaker is 19...Kg8 20.Qh5 Nf6 21.Bxf6 Qd3 22.Re4]

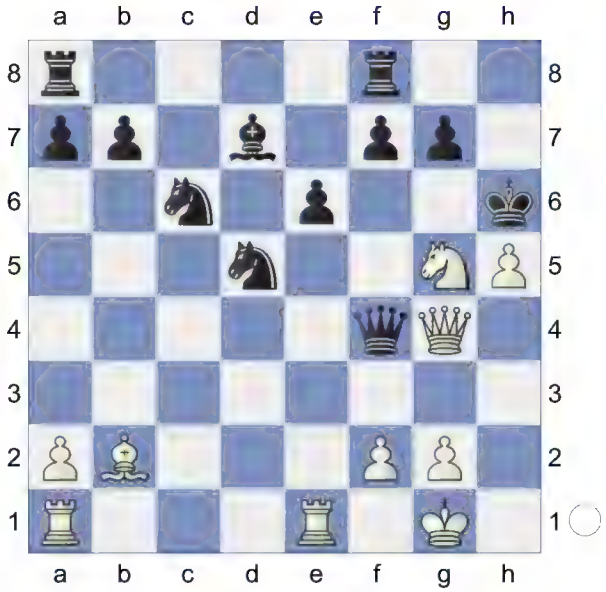
20.Qg4 Ng5-h7+! would kill now.

20...Qf4? 10.47/16

[20...e5= -0.09/15 21.Qg3 Kh6]

Black cannot hold the game after this.

21.h5+!+- Kh6



22.Bxg7+! Decoy **22...Kxg7 23.Nxe6+** Discovered Attack (Double Check), Double Attack **23...Kf6 24.Qg7+**

[24.Nxf4? perishes. Bxg4 25.Nxd5+ Kg7-+]

24...Kf5 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 26.g4#

Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.63

1-0

93 **C02**

□ **Shirov,A** **2616**

■ **Yao,Stefano** **2250**

Castling in the Castle rapid (5.5) 21.9.25

[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1! White has compensation.

8...Nge7 9.h4 The position is equal.

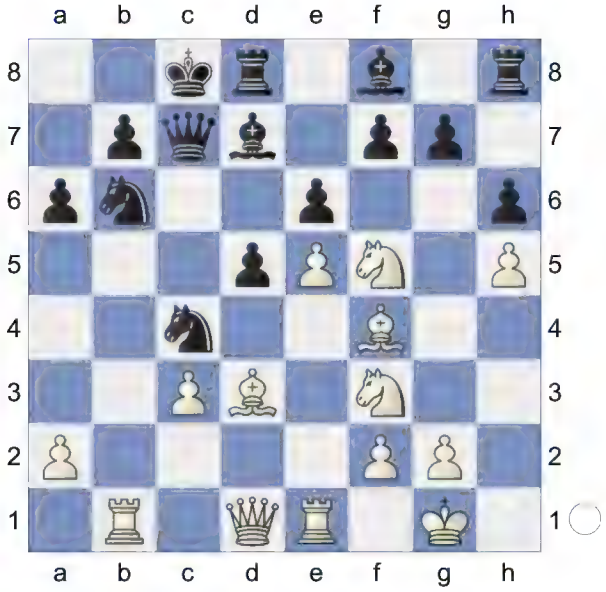
9...a6! 10.h5 -0.01/19

[10.Nbd2± 0.36/22 was preferable.]

10...h6 0.38/23

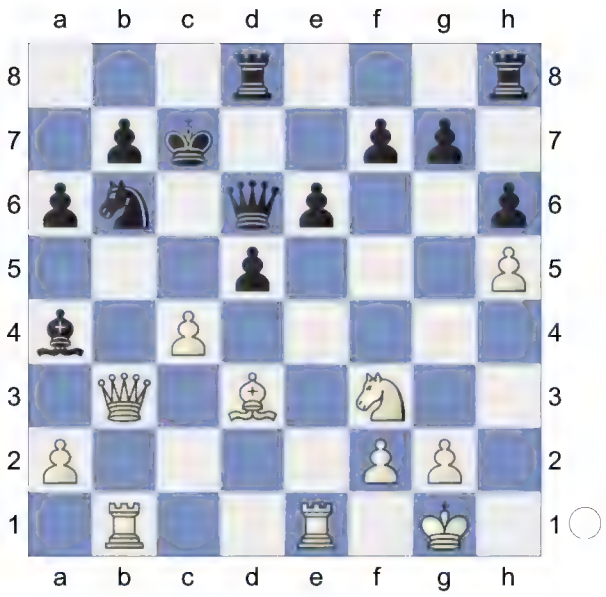
[10...g6= -0.01/19]

11.Nbd2!± dxc3 0.72/19
[11...Qc7= 0.17/21 remains equal.]
12.bxc3± Qc7 13.Nb3 -0.01/18
White is more active.
[13.Ba3± 0.73/18]
[13.c4 Na5 14.Ba3 dxc4 15.Ne4 Nd5 16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 Qd8 18.Be4 Nf6 19.Bb2 0-0 20.Ne5 Bc6 21.Bc2 Bd5 22.Bc3 Nc6 23.Ng4 Nxg4 24.Qxg4 Qg5 25.Qh3 Rad8 26.Re3 e5 27.Rg3 Qf6 0-1 (35) Samarqand2021 (2813)-Herushkanamura (2903) Blitz 2022]
13...Nc8= 14.Nbd4N -0.34/20
[14.Bf4± 0.46/19 Na5 15.Nxa5 Qxa5 16.Qd2 Nb6 17.Rab1 Rc8 18.Qe2 Na4 19.Bd2 Qc7 20.Qe3 b5 21.Rbc1 Nb2 22.Nd4 Nxd3 23.Qxd3 Qc4 24.Qg3 Qxa2 25.Be3 Qc4 26.f4 Qd3 27.f5 Rxc3 28.Rxc3 Qxc3 29.fxe6 0-1 (39) Schmidt,M (2113)-Tiglon,B (2509) GRENKE Chess Open 2024 (1.41)]
[14.a4 Nb6 15.Be3 Nc4 16.Bxc4 dxc4 17.Nc5 Rd8 18.Rb1 Bc8 19.Qe2 Nxe5 20.Nxa6 Qd6 21.Bb6 Nd3 22.Nc7+ Ke7 23.Nd4 e5 24.f4 f6 25.fxe5 fxe5 26.Rf1 g6 27.hxg6 Qxg6 28.Bc5+ Kd7 1-0 (31) Adhiban,B (2633)-Budisavljevic,L (2509) I Menorca Open 2022 (6.4)]
[14.Qd2 Nb6 15.Qf4 Rc8 16.Rb1 Nd8 17.Be3 Nc4 18.Bd4 Bb5 19.Qg3 Na3 20.Bxb5+ axb5 21.Rbd1 Ra8 22.Rd2 Nc4 23.Rde2 b6 24.Nh4 Rg8 25.f4 Be7 26.Nf3 g6 27.hxg6 fxg6 28.Qh3 h5 ½-½ (65) Petkov,M (2540)-Mendonca,L (2622) ROM-chT Mamaia 2024 (4.1)]
14...Nb6 15.Rb1 Na5 16.Bf4 Nac4 17.Nf5 -0.78/21 Loses the game.
17...0-0-0? 2.07/21
[17...exf5 18.e6 Qxf4 19.exd7+ Kxd7 20.Bxc4+-]
[17...Ba4!∓ -0.78/21 18.Qe2 *(18.Qc1? Ba3-+)* 18...exf5 19.Bxf5 Bc5]



18.Nd6+!+- Nxd6 2.96/20
[18...Bxd6± 1.53/20 was called for. 19.exd6 Nxd6]
19.exd6 Bxd6
[19...Qxc3? 20.Rc1+- *(20.Rxb6 Bxd6 21.Bxd6 Bc6+-)*]
20.Bxd6 Qxd6 21.Qb3 Kc7 22.c4 Ba4

(Diagram)



23.Qb2 dxc4
[Inferior is 23...Nxc4 24.Qxb7#]
24.Bxc4 Black must now prevent Rec1.
24...Rb8? 5.73/19
[24...Rd7 2.44/20 is a better chance. 25.Rec1 Kb8]
25.Rec1 White is clearly winning.
25...Nxc4 26.Rxc4+ Bc6
Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.89
27.Ne5
[27.Qxg7 Rbg8 28.Qc3 Qd5+-]
1-0

94 **C02**
□ **u6869** **2614**
■ **Djager97** **2551**
Blitz 30.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nbd2! Nxf3+ 10.Nxf3 Ne7 0.43/19
[10...Bc5= -0.08/18]
11.Be3± White has compensation.
11...Qd8 White is slightly better. **12.h4 Nc6 13.h5 h6 14.Rc1 Be7 15.Re1N**
[15.a3]
15...Rc8 0.61/19
[15...Bb4= 0.04/18]
16.a3 a6 17.b4 0.26/19
[17.Bd2± 0.64/18]
17...Nb8!= 18.Nd4 Rxc1 19.Bxc1 0.21/18
[19.Qxc1± 0.61/20 Nc6 20.Nf3]
19...Nc6 0.88/18
[19...Qc7!= 0.21/18]
20.Nxc6± Bxc6 21.Qg4↑ White fights for an advantage. **21...Kf8** 1.42/18
[21...Kd7± 0.63/17]
22.Be3 White has more active pieces.
22...Bb5? 2.51/20 Black is weak on the dark squares
[22...Qc7± 0.97/19]
23.Bb1 1.15/17
[23.Bxb5+- 2.51/20 axb5 24.Rc1]
23...Qd7 2.53/18
[23...a5± 1.15/17 was worth a try.]
24.Bd4? 0.85/18
[24.Rc1+- 2.53/18]
24...Bc4? 3.75/17
[24...Qc7± 0.85/18]
25.f4 2.21/17
[⌓25.Re3 3.75/17 Threatens to win with Bc2. Kg8 26.Rg3]
25...a5 26.f5 Rg8? 9.00/20
[26...Bg5 2.05/17 27.bxa5 Qc8]
27.Qf4? 2.09/18
[27.bxa5 Qc8±]
[27.fxe6 9.00/20 Qc8 28.Bf5 *(28.bxa5 Qxe6 29.Bf5 Qa6+-)*]
27...Bg5? 6.88/20
[27...Ke8 2.09/18]
28.Bc5+? 2.38/22
[28.fxe6 6.88/20 Qxe6 29.Bc5+ Ke8 30.Qf2]
28...Ke8+- 29.Qf2 a4? 7.85/21

[29...Be7 2.10/18 30.fxe6 *(30.bxa5 Bxc5 31.Qxc5 Kd8±)* 30...fxe6]

30.Rd1? 1.63/22

[30.fxe6 7.85/21 fxe6 31.Bg6+ Kd8 32.Bd6]

30...Qc6 7.85/23

[30...Be7 1.63/22]

31.g4? 0.01/20

[31.b5+- 7.85/23 Bxb5 32.fxe6 Qxe6 33.Bf5]

31...Kd8? 2.16/22

[31...Rh8!= 0.01/20]

32.Bd6? -0.01/20

[32.fxe6!+- 2.16/22 Qxe6 33.Bf5]

32...Kc8? 1.92/21

[32...Bb3= -0.01/20 and Black has nothing to worry. 33.Rf1 Bc4]

33.Kh2? -1.35/22

[33.Qa7 Rd8 34.Qb8+ Kd7∓]

[33.fxe6!+- 1.92/21 fxe6 34.Qf7]

33...b6? 0.27/25

[33...Rd8∓ -1.35/22 34.Bc2 b5]

34.fxe6= fxe6 35.Qf7 Rd8 36.Qxe6+

[36.Qxg7 Bf4+ 37.Kg1 Be3+ 38.Kg2 d4+ 39.Kg3 Rxd6 40.exd6 Qxd6+ 41.Kh3 Qf4 42.Qg8+ Kc7-+]

36...Kb7! 37.Bf5 -0.01/22

[37.Qf7+!± 0.54/20 Ka6 38.Qf5 *(38.Qxg7 Bf4+ 39.Kg1 Be3+ 40.Kh2 Bf4+ 41.Kg1 Rxd6-+)*]

37...Bb3 1.15/20

[37...Ka8= -0.01/22 keeps the balance.]

38.Re1? -9.30/22

[38.Qf7+± 1.15/20 Ka8 39.Rf1]

38...Qc3 (-> ...Bf4+) **39.Qf7+ Ka6?** -0.01/21

[Better is 39...Ka8!-+ -5.50/22 40.Rf1 Qd2+ 41.Kh1 Qe3]

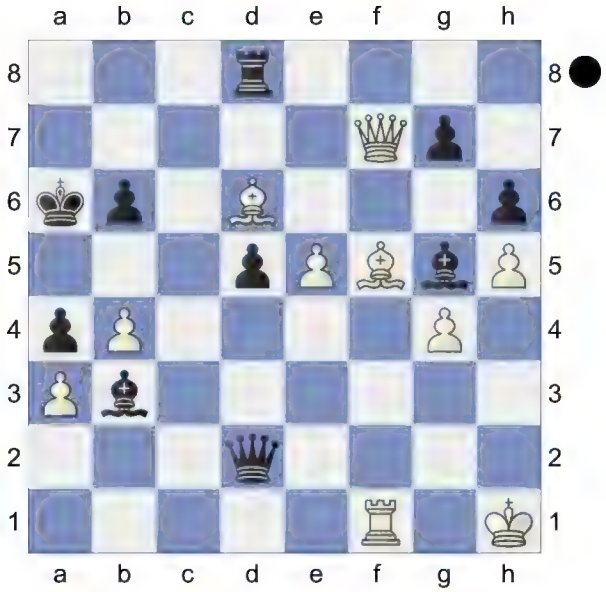
40.Rf1 -0.47/22

[40.b5+= -0.01/21 Kxb5 41.Rf1]

40...Qd2+ -0.01/22

[40...Bc4∓ -0.47/22 should be considered. 41.Rf2 Qe1]

41.Kh1!



Chess con chili. **41...Qe2** 0.01/19

[41...Bc4!∓ -1.02/22 42.Be6 Bxf1 43.Bxd5 Rd7 44.Qxf1+ Ka7]

42.Be6? -5.62/21

[42.Rf2!= 0.01/19 Qe3 43.Bd7 Rxd7 44.b5+ Decoy Kxb5 45.Qxd7+ Ka6 46.Qc8+ Kb5 47.Qd7+]

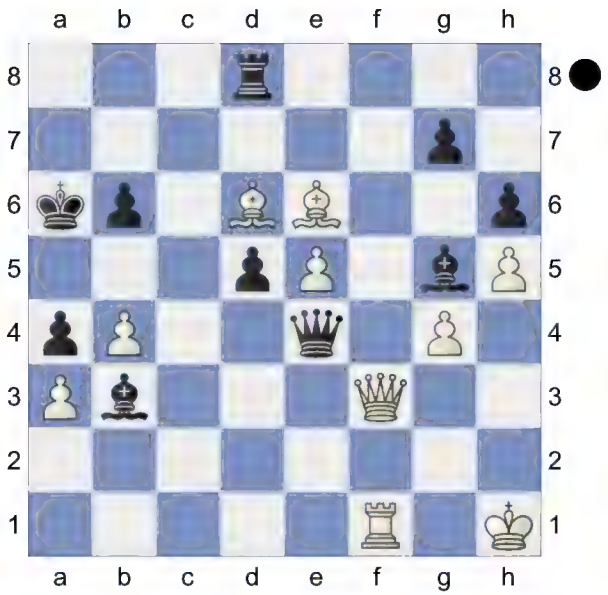
42...Qe4+? 0.01/18

[42...d4-+ -5.62/21 Threatens to win with ...Bxe6. 43.Bxb3 *(43.b5+? Qxb5 44.Kg2 Bxe6-+)* 43...axb3]

43.Qf3? -2.72/23

[43.Kh2= 0.01/18 and White stays safe.]

(Diagram)



43...Bc2?? 3.03/20
[43...Qxf3+!-+ -2.72/23 and all is fine. 44.Rxf3 d4 *(44...Kb5 45.Bc7=)* 45.Bxb3 axb3 46.Rxb3 Kb5]
44.Bxd5+- Qd4 15.89/21
[44...Qxf3+ 1.68/19 45.Bxf3 *(45.Rxf3 Rc8±)* 45...Bd3]
45.Bb7+ Ka7 46.Bc6 7.48/19
[⌓46.Qf7 16.24/24 Rxd6 47.exd6 Qxd6 48.Bg2+ *(48.Qxg7 Bd8+-; 48.Be4+ Be7+-)* 48...Qe7 49.Qd5 Be4 50.Bxe4 *(50.Qxe4 Qxe4 51.Bxe4 Bf6+-)* 50...Qxe4+ 51.Qxe4]
46...Bb3 47.b5 5.22/20
[⌓47.Qf7+ #6/14 Bxf7 48.Rxf7+ Be7 49.Rxe7+ Rd7 50.Rxd7+ *(50.Bxd7 Qe4+ 51.Kg1 Qe1+ 52.Kg2 Qe2+ 53.Kg1 Qe3+ 54.Kg2 Qe2+ 55.Kg3 Qe3+ 56.Kg2 Qe2+=)* 50...Ka6 51.b5+ Ka5 52.Ra7#]
47...Rc8 48.Kh2 5.74/20
[⌓48.Qf7+ #6/14 Bxf7 49.Rxf7+ Be7 50.Rxe7+ *(50.Bxe7? Qc4-+)* 50...Rc7 51.Rxc7+ *(51.Bxc7 Qd1+ 52.Kh2 Qd2+ 53.Kg3 Qe1+ 54.Kf3 Qh1+ 55.Ke3 Qg1+ 56.Kf4 g5+ 57.hxg6 Qc1+ 58.Kf5 Qg5+ 59.Ke6 Qxg6+ 60.Kd7 Qxg4+ 61.e6 Qg8)* 51...Kb8 52.Rb7+ Kc8 53.Rb8#]
48...Bc4 Never resign too early!
Weighted Error Value: White=1.63/ Black=1.81
49.Rf2? 0.01/27 Loss on time!?
[49.Qf7+ #6/14 mates Bxf7 50.Rxf7+ Be7 51.Rxe7+ *(51.Bxe7? too greedy. Qxe5+ 52.Kg2 Rc7-+)* 51...Rc7 52.Rxc7+ *(52.Bxc7 Qf4+ 53.Kh3 Qe3+ 54.Kg2 Qe2+ 55.Kg3 Qe3+ 56.Bf3 Qg1+ 57.Kh3 Qf1+ 58.Bg2 Qxb5+-)* 52...Kb8 53.Rb7+ Kc8 54.Rb8#]
1-0

95 **C02**
□ **gunnermuri11** **2612**
■ **QNIVugiabao2010** **2551**
Blitz 06.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.Nc3 a6 11.Kh1 Ne7 12.f4 Nc6 13.Qe2 -0.73/19
[13.a3= 0.01/18]
13...Qa7N 0.36/19
[13...Nb4∓ -0.73/19 14.Bb1 Qc4 15.Qxc4 *(15.Qd1 d4 16.Ne4 Bb5 17.Re1 d3 18.Bd2 Nc2 19.Bxc2 dxc2 20.Qh5 Rd8 21.f5 Bc6 22.b3 Qd5 23.Rac1 Be7 24.fxe6 Qxe6 25.Nd6+ Kf8 26.Bb4 Qd5 27.Rxc2 Bxd6 28.Rd1 Bxb4 29.Rxd5 Bxd5* 0-1 (33) Murphy,R-Callaway,J USCCC-1 Final 7476 1974*)* 15...dxc4]
[13...Bc5 14.Bd2 *(14.a3 Na5 15.Bd2 Nb3 16.Rae1 Ba7 17.Rf3*

Nxd2 18.Qxd2 g6 19.Ne2 Qb6 20.Rc1 Rc8 21.Rxc8+ Bxc8 22.g4 Bd7 23.f5 gxf5 24.gxf5 Rg8 25.Rg3 Rxg3 26.hxg3 exf5 27.Qg5 Qg6 28.Qh4 h6 0-1 (38) Patterson,R-Ihlen, S (2436) 34/(194) Pernik 1982 (1)*)* 14...Nb4 15.Bb1 Ba7 16.a3 Nc6 17.Bd3 g6 18.Rac1 *(18.Rf3 Qb6 19.Be3 Qc7 20.Bxa7 Rxa7 21.Qf2 Ra8* French Advanced-8.0-0 Nd4 9. Nd4 Qd4 Survey 2022*)* 18...Qb6 19.b4 Nd4 20.Qd1 Nf5 21.Na4 Qd8 22.Nc5 Bc6 23.Nxa6 Ne3 24.Bxe3 Bxe3 25.Rc2 0-0 26.Qa1 Ba4 27.Re2 Qb6 28.Nc5 0-1 (52) Golod,V (2535)-Barsov,A (2465) Dieren op 1998 (9)]

14.f5± Threatening Nxd5!. **14...Bb4** 1.63/18

[14...Qc5= 0.17/18]

15.fxe6? -0.01/21

[15.Nxd5!+- 1.63/18 exd5 16.e6]

15...Bxe6= The position is equal. **16.Bg5** -0.59/18 Repels Rd8

[16.a3= -0.12/19 Bc5 17.Bf4]

16...Bxc3 0.35/17

[16...Be7∓ -0.59/18 17.Bxe7 Nxe7]

17.bxc3± and Bf5 would now be decisive

17...h6 1.14/19

[17...Qc5!= 0.29/17]

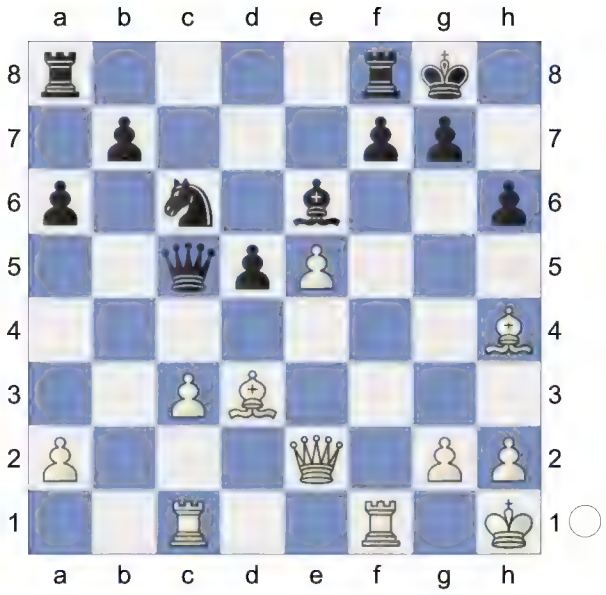
18.Bh4 0.05/20 A strong pair of Bishops.

[18.Be3± 1.14/19 Qb8 19.Bf4]

18...Qc5= **19.Rac1** White has compensation. **19...0-0** 0.56/18

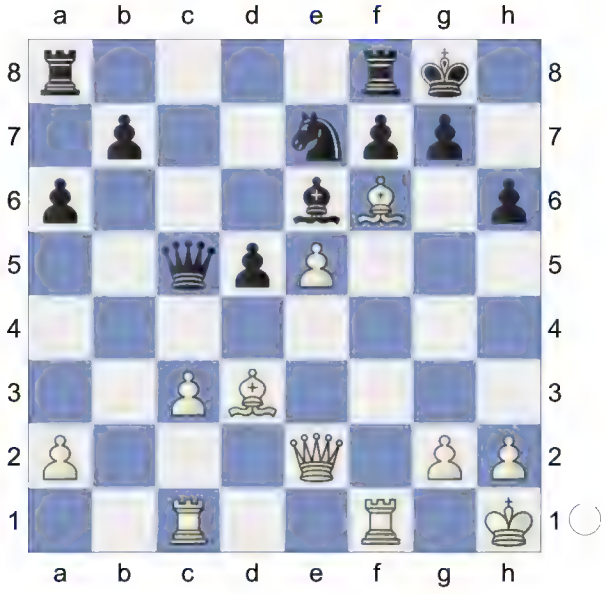
[19...d4= 0.08/18 might be stronger.]

(Diagram)



20.Bf6 0.01/20 **Ne7?** 3.40/18

[20...gxf6= 0.01/20 21.exf6 Rfe8]



21.Qh5? 0.27/20 **Qe3**

(Diagram)

22.Rcd1! gxf6 23.exf6 -0.66/24
[23.Rf3!± 0.68/25 Qxe5 *(23...Qg5? 24.Rg3+-)* 24.Rg3+ Qxg3 Remove Defender *(24...Ng6 25.Rxg6+ fxg6 26.Qxg6+ Kh8 27.Qh7#)* 25.hxg3]
23...Qg5!∓ 24.Qxg5+ hxg5 25.fxe7 Rfe8 26.Rde1! Rxe7 27.Re5 Rc7 -0.08/5
[27...g4∓ -0.91/22]
28.Rxg5+= Kf8 29.Bc2 -1.36/21
[29.h4= 0.01/20]
29...Rxc3∓ 30.Bb3 -2.40/19
[30.Bf5∓ -0.98/21 is the only way for White. Ke7 31.h4]
30...Rd8 31.h4 Ke7 -1.50/17
[31...b5-+ -1.99/19 ...a5 would now be deadly. 32.h5 Rc6]
32.Kh2 -2.63/18
[32.h5∓ -1.50/17]
32...d4-+ 33.Bxe6 Kxe6 KRR-KRR. Black is a pawn up. **34.h5?** -4.86/17
[34.Rd1 -2.33/21 was necessary.]
34...d3 Black is clearly winning. **35.Rd1** -7.40/18
[⌓35.Re1+ -4.48/21 Kf6 36.Rg3]
35...d2 36.h6 Rc1 37.Rxd2 Rxd2 38.h7
Weighted Error Value: White=0.92/ Black=0.51
38...Rdd1
[38...Rxa2 39.h8Q *(39.h8R? perishes. Rac2-+)* 39...Raa1 40.Qe8+ Kd6 41.Qxf7 Rh1+ 42.Kg3 Ra3+ 43.Kf2+-]
0-1

96 **C02**
□ **benkonian** **2611**
■ **educacion23** **2471**
Rapid 05.02.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.h5 h6 11.Qe2N**
[11.Na3 Nf5 12.g4 Nfe7 13.Nb5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Bxb5 15.Qf3 f6 16.Bg6+ Nxg6 17.Nxg6 Rg8 18.Bxh6 gxh6 19.Qxf6 Bd7 20.Re5 dxc3 21.Rae1 c2 22.Nxf8 Rxf8 23.Rxe6+ Qxe6 24.Rxe6+ Bxe6 25.Qxe6+ #10 8) Advance of the French-4...Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 Kd8]
[11.Bc2 dxc3 12.Nxc3 d4 13.Na4 Qc7 14.Be4 Nd5 15.Bxd5 exd5 16.Nxd4 Nxd4 17.Qxd4 Qc4 18.Qxc4 Rxc4 19.Nc3 d4 20.Ne4 Bb4 21.Nd6+ Bxd6 22.exd6+ Be6 23.b3 Rc5 24.Bb2 Rd5 25.Rad1 Rxd6 Holzmann,M (2537)-Seryshev,V (2680) Finistere 2008 Telechess CBM 89 [Pierce book p30-31] ½-½]
[11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Ba3 Qxc3 15.Nb3 Nec6 16.Rc1 Qxe1+ 17.Qxe1 Bxa3 18.Rc2 Nxb3 19.axb3 0-0 20.Qe3 Be7 21.Nd4 Nb4 22.Rxc8 Rxc8

23.Bb1 a5 24.Nf3 a4 25.bxa4 Bxa4 Guo,A (2432)-Ostrovskiy,A (2404) New York 2022 CBM 211 [Braun, Christian] 1-0 (35)]

11...Nf5 12.Nbd2 -1.58/22

[12.Rd1= -0.10/19 keeps the balance.]

12...dxc3 13.bxc3 Ng3! 14.Qd1 Bc5

[Not 14...Nxh5 15.Nb3∓]

15.Re2 Nxe2+ 16.Qxe2 0-0 17.Nb3 -2.11/19

[⌓17.Rb1 -1.74/19 Qc7 18.Nb3]

17...Be7 -1.26/20

[Better is 17...f6-+ -2.11/19 Hoping for ...fxe5. 18.exf6 Rxf6]

18.Bf4 -1.89/20

[18.Bb1∓ -1.26/20]

18...Na5-+ 19.Be3 Qd8

[Much less strong is 19...Nxb3 20.Bxb6 Nxa1 21.Bd4±]

20.Bd4 Nc4 -1.46/19

[Black should try 20...Nxb3-+ -1.98/20 21.axb3 Bc5]

21.Re1 -2.45/19

[21.a4∓ -1.46/19]

21...a6 22.Nh2 Bb5 23.f4 Na3 24.Ng4 Bxd3 25.Qxd3 Nb5 26.f5 Nxd4 27.cxd4 -4.21/22

[⌓27.Nxd4 -2.90/22 exf5 28.Nxf5]

27...exf5 28.Qxf5 Bh4 29.Rf1 Qg5 30.Qf3 Qe7 31.Ne3 Qe6 32.Nxd5 Rfd8 33.Ne3 Bg5 34.Nf5 Qd5 35.Nd6 -2.19/23

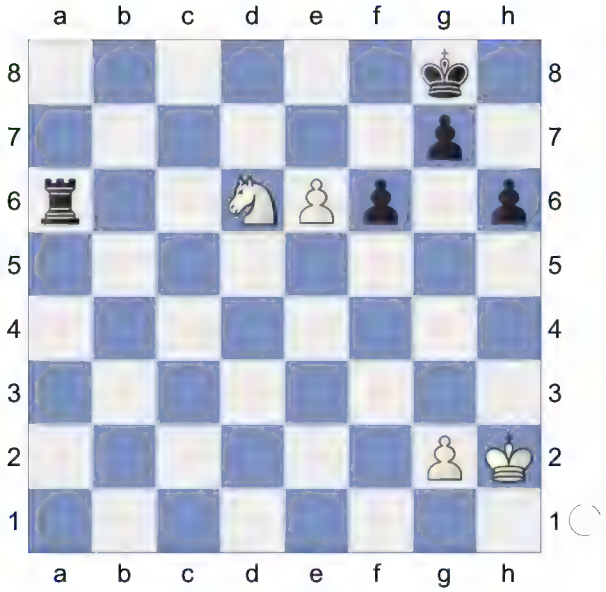
[35.Nd2∓ -1.51/20]

35...Qxf3 36.Rxf3 Rc7 aiming for ...f6. **37.Nc5 b5 38.Nxa6 Rc1+ 39.Kh2 Be7 40.Nxb5 f6 41.e6 Rd5 42.a4 Rxh5+ 43.Rh3 Rg5 44.Rc3?** -6.75/20

[44.Nac7 -2.70/21]

44...Rxc3 45.Nxc3 Endgame KRB-KNN **45...Ra5 46.Nc5 Bxc5 47.dxc5 Rxc5** KR-KN **48.Nb5 Rc4 49.Nd6 Rc7 50.a5 Ra7 51.a6 Rxa6?** 0.13/23

[51...Kf8-+ -3.42/23 52.Nf5 Ra8 53.e7+ Kf7]



52.e7!= Ra8 53.e8Q+

[53.Kg3 is interesting. h5 54.Kf3 Ra3+ 55.Ke4]

53...Rxe8 54.Nxe8 KN-K3P **54...Kf7 55.Nd6+ Ke6 56.Nc4 g5 57.Kg3 h5 58.Nd2 f5 59.Nf3 Kf6 60.Nd4 h4+ 61.Kh3 Ke5 62.Nc6+ Kf4 63.Ne7 Ke3?** 10.16/30

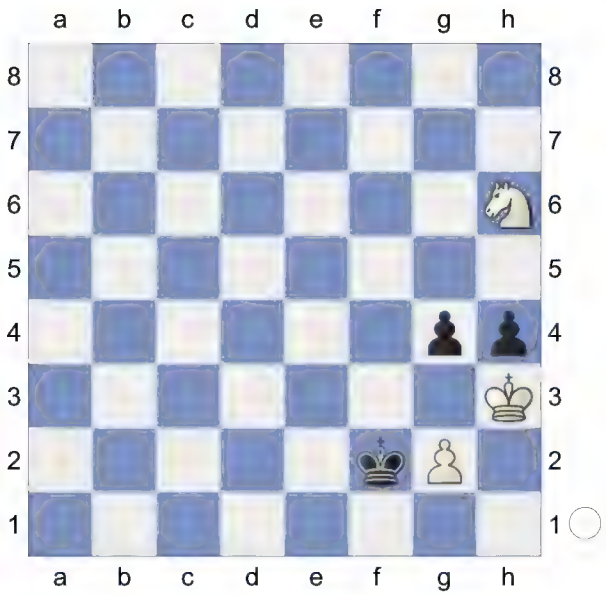
[63...Ke5= 0.01/28]

64.Nxf5++- Kf2 65.Nh6 Ke3= 0.01/27 **66.Kg4?** 0.00/32

[White has to play 66.Nf7+- 10.15/35 Kf4 67.Nd8]

66...Kf2= 67.Kh3 Kh2 is the strong threat. **67...g4+?** #19/29

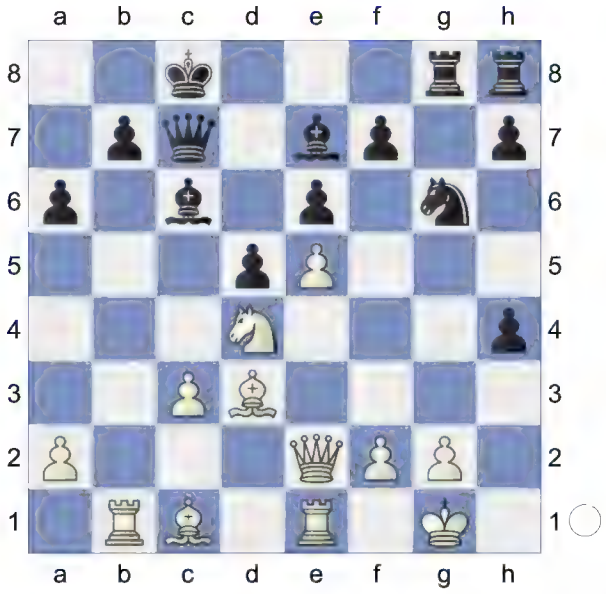
(Diagram)



68.Nxg4+ White used his chance.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.24 (precise)
1-0

97 **C02**
□ **Adhiban,Baskaran** **2611**
■ **Cheng,Bo** **2583**
World Blitz 2022 (11.54) 29.12.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...a6 10.h5** -0.20/18
[10.Nbd2!± 0.36/18]
10...g6= 11.Nbd2 gxh5 12.Nb3 dxc3 13.bxc3 Ng6 14.Nbd4 Qc7 15.Rb1 h4
[15...Bg7 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Ba3 Bf8 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 19.Qd2 h6 20.Nd4 Ke7 21.f4 Rag8 22.Qf2 Kd7 23.Rb2 Ne7 24.f5 Kc8 25.fxe6 fxe6 26.Nxe6 Qa5 27.Nd4 Qxc3 28.Nxc6 Nxc6 29.Bf5+ Kb8 30.Reb1 1-0 Gonzalez,J (2646)-Large,P (2476) EU-ch 12th Aix les Bains 2011 (9)]
16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Nd4 Be7N 0.28/20
[17...Nxe5? 18.Bf4 *(18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.Qh5+ Kd7=)* 18...Bd6 19.Qh5+-]
[17...Bd7∓ -0.34/18]
18.Qh5 0-0-0 0.54/20
[18...Bd7!= 0.08/17 19.Be3 Rg8]
19.Qe2 0.00/19
[19.Be3± 0.54/20]
19...Rdg8 1.32/20
[19...Rhg8= 0.00/19]



20.Bxa6? -1.92/20 White is much more active. **20...bxa6-+ 21.Qxa6+** -3.22/19
[⌓21.Be3 -2.20/17]
21...Bb7 -1.74/19
[⌓21...Kd7 -3.22/19 Threatens to win with ...Rg8-b8. 22.Bh6 *(22.Nxc6? Ra8-+* Skewer *)* 22...Ra8 *(22...Nxe5 23.Rxe5 Bd6 24.Rh5±)*]
22.Qa4 -2.22/22
[⌓22.Qa7 -1.74/19]

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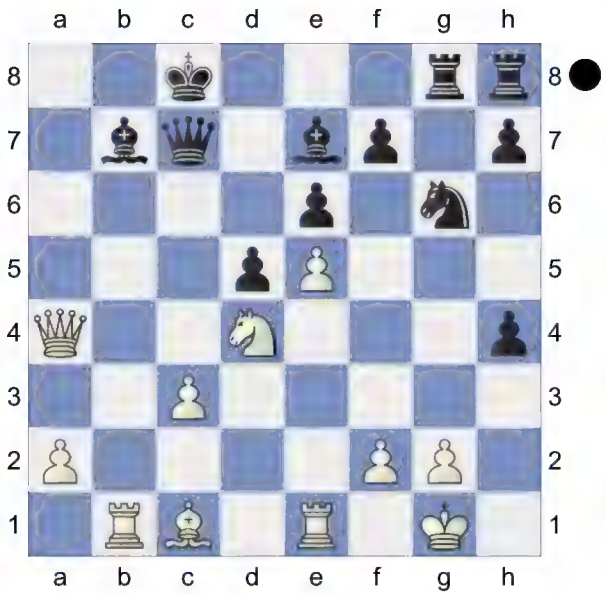
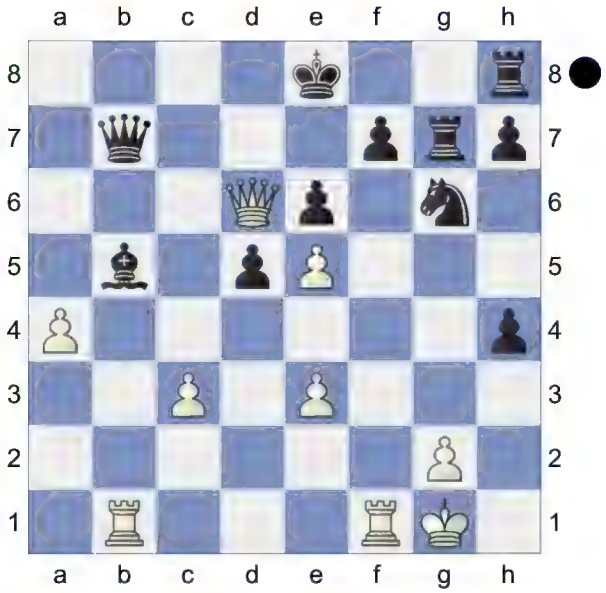


22...Bc5 -1.02/20
[22...Qxc3? 23.Bh6 Nxe5 24.Rec1+- *(24.Rxe5 Qa3+-; 24.Rxe5 Bf6±)*]
[22...Nxe5 23.Bf4 Qc4 24.Qa7±]
[22...Qc4!-+ -2.22/22 has better winning chances. 23.Qd1 *(23.Qa7? Qa6-+)* 23...h3 *(23...Qxa2 24.Rb2∓)*]
23.Nb5∓ Bc6? 1.54/21
[23...Qc6∓ -0.69/20 keeps the upper hand. 24.Ba3 d4]
24.Be3? -0.62/19
[24.Qa6+± 1.54/21 Bb7 25.Nxc7 Bxa6 26.Nxa6]
24...Bxe3? 4.15/19
[24...Qxe5? 25.Bxc5 Bxb5 26.Qxb5+-]
[24...Bxb5? 25.Rxb5 Bxe3 26.Rxe3 Nxe5 27.Qa6+ Kd7 28.Rb7+-]
[24...Nxe5!∓ -0.62/19 stays ahead. 25.Qa6+ Bb7 26.Nxc7 Bxa6 27.Nxa6 Bxe3 *(27...Nf3+ 28.Kh1=)* 28.Rxe3 Nc4]
25.fxe3?? -3.99/19
[25.Qa6++- 4.15/19 is the narrow road to win. Kd7 *(25...Bb7? 26.Nd6+ Kd7 27.Rxb7+-* Pin *)* 26.Nxc7 Kxc7 27.Rxe3]
25...Kd7-+
[25...Nxe5? 26.Qa6+ Kd8 *(26...Bb7? 27.Nd6+ Kd7 28.Rxb7+-* Pin *)* 27.Nxc7 Kxc7 28.e4+-]
[25...Qxe5? 26.Na7+ Kd7 27.Rb7++-]
26.Rf1 Rg7
[26...Qxe5? 27.Qa7+ Ke8 28.Nd4+-]
27.Qa6 Qb7
[And not 27...Qxe5 28.Qa7+ Kc8 *(28...Ke8 29.Nc7+ Kd7 30.Nxd5+ Kc8 31.Qa6+ Kd7 32.Nf6+ Kd6 33.Qa3+ Qc5 34.Rfd1+ Ke5 35.Qxc5+)* 29.Qa6+ Kd7 30.Qa7+ Kc8 *(30...Ke8 31.Nc7+ Kd7 32.Nxd5+ Kc8 33.Nb6+ Kd8 34.Rfd1+ Ke8 35.Nd7)* 31.Qa6+ Kd7=]
28.Qa3 Hoping for Qa3-d6+. **28...Bxb5**
29.Qd6+ Ke8 30.a4



Qd7 ...Qd7xd6 would now be deadly.
31.Qc5
[31.Rxb5 Qxd6]

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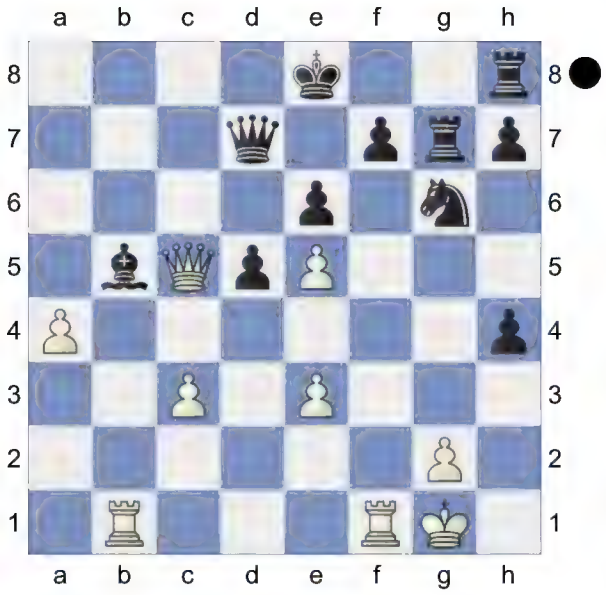
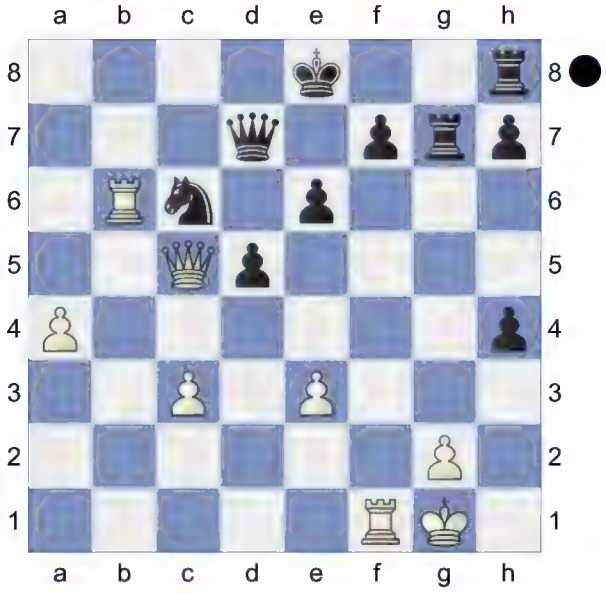


31...Nxe5! And now ...Rh8-g8! would win. **32.Rxb5 Nc6** Dodges Rb5-b8+ **33.Rb6**



Rhg8?? 4.30/19 **34.Rxc6+-** aiming for Rc6-c8+. **34...Rxg2+ 35.Kh1 Kd8** 8.63/20 Prevents Rc6-c8+.

[35...f5 3.75/17 36.Rc8+ Kf7]

36.Rb1 White threatens Rb1-b8+ and mate. **36...R2g4** Quite a comeback for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.59/Black=0.69

1-0

98 **C02**

□ **noicenoice** **2610**

■ **Kos1189** **2585**

Blitz 17.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.a3 -0.07/19

[8.Re1± 0.31/16]

8...Rc8 0.29/18

[8...Nge7 -0.07/19 9.b4 *(9.Kh1 Ng6 10.cxd4 Be7 11.Nc3 0-0 12.h4 f6 13.h5 Nh8 14.Qc2 f5 15.Be3 Rac8 16.Na4 Qd8 17.Qd1 Qe8 18.Rc1 Qxh5+ 19.Kg1 Ng6 20.b4 b6 21.Ba6 Rcd8 22.Be2 f4 23.Bd2 Nh4* 0-1 (30) Delgado Kuffo,A (2320)-Asish,P (1903) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (7)*)* 9...a6 10.Bb2 dxc3 11.Nxc3 Ng6 12.Na4 Qd8 13.Rc1 Be7 14.Nc5 Bxc5 15.Rxc5 0-0 16.Qd2 Rc8 17.Re1 Nce7 18.Rxc8 Qxc8 19.h4 Nf5 20.Bxf5 exf5 21.h5 Ne7 22.e6 Bxe6 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 1-0 (26) Kramnik, V (2753)-Al Tarbosh,W (2256) Titled Tuesday intern op 16th May Late blitz 2023 (5)]

9.Nbd2N -0.58/19

[9.b4= 0.29/18 Nge7 10.h4 dxc3 11.Nxc3 Nd4 12.Bb2 Nxf3+ 13.Qxf3 Ng6 14.Ne2 Nxh4 15.Qg3 Ng6 16.Bd4 Qd8 17.Bxa7 Qh4 18.Qe3 Be7 19.f4 0-0 20.Bd4 Ba4 21.Nc3 Bb3 22.Rf2 Bc4 23.Bc2 Bd8 24.g3 1-0 (72) 5.a3 (2480)-Lengyel,B (2037) ch-Africa 2015 (3) Qe7 25.g4 Re8 26.Re1 Qh4 27.Bd1 f5 28.Rh2 Qe7 29.gxf5 exf5 30.Kh1 b5 31.Rg1 Rc6 32.Bc2 Rf8 33.Qh3 Qh4 34.Bxf5

Qxh3 35.Bxh3 Rxf4 36.Bd7 Ra6 37.Be3 Rf3 38.Bd4 Rf4 39.Rd1 1-0 (72) Shabalov,A (2480)-Ehsani,Y (2037) Chicago op 32nd 2023 (3)]

9...dxc3∓ 10.bxc3 Nh6 0.27/19
[10...Qc7∓ -0.53/19]

11.c4= Bc5? 1.72/19
[11...Be7!= 0.07/18 and Black has nothing to worry.]

12.cxd5+- exd5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Nb3 White has strong compensation.

14...Bb6 15.Bf4 0.10/20
[15.Bxh6± 1.50/18 gxh6 16.Qd2]

15...Be6 16.Ng5 aiming for a4!.

16...Qe7! 17.Qh5 -0.01/16
[17.a4± 0.43/19]

17...Bg4= 18.Qh4 Be6! 19.Bg3? -1.25/20
[19.a4= 0.27/18]

19...Nf5 -0.89/19
[19...Bf5 -1.25/20 20.Rfd1 Qxa3 21.Bxf5 Nxf5]

20.Qf4∓ Nxg3 21.Qxg3 h6!↑ Keeping White busy.
[21...Qxa3 22.Kh1∓ *(22.Nxh7 Rxh7 23.Bxh7 g6∓; 22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Qxg7 Qf8∓)*]

22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Bg6+? -2.86/19
[23.Kh1∓ -0.88/18]

23...Kd7-+ 24.Kh1 Qg5
[24...Qxa3 25.f4∓]

25.Qd3? -4.66/19 White is weak on the dark squares
[25.f4 -2.62/19 Qxg3 26.hxg3]

25...Nxe5
[25...Qxe5 26.f4 Qd6 27.f5∓]

26.Qb5+ Nc6 -2.35/20
[⌓26...Kd8 -4.22/18 27.Bd3 Qe7]

27.Bd3 Rhf8 28.a4? -3.88/19
[28.Nc5+ -1.98/15 only move. Bxc5 29.Qxc5]

28...Rc7
[28...Rxf2 29.Rxf2 Bxf2 30.Qxb7+ Rc7 31.Qb5-+]

29.a5 -5.28/21
[⌓29.f3 -3.64/19 Rf4 30.a5]

29...Bxf2? -1.77/18
[29...Rxf2 -5.28/21 30.Rxf2 Bxf2]

30.Nc5+? -5.81/19
[30.a6 -1.77/18 was the crucial defense. bxa6 *(30...b6 31.Rb2±)* 31.Qxa6]

30...Bxc5 31.Qxc5 Rf6 -1.75/20
[31...Rxf1+ -5.86/18 32.Rxf1 a6 33.Rf7+ Kc8 *(33...Ne7? 34.Qb6-+)* 34.Qf8+ Nd8 35.Rxc7+ Kxc7 36.Qc5+ Nc6 37.Qb6+ Kc8]

32.Bb5 -3.05/19
[32.Rfc1 -1.75/20 is a better defense.]

32...a6? -0.01/21
[32...Rxf1+ 33.Rxf1 Qe7 34.Qxa7∓]
[32...Kc8!-+ -3.05/19 33.Rfe1 Qd2 *(33...Nxa5 34.Qxa7 Nc6 35.Qa8+ Kd7 36.Rb3∓)* 34.Bxc6 bxc6 *(34...Rxc6? 35.Qe7+-)*]

33.Bxc6+ bxc6
[33...Rxc6 34.Rxb7+ Kd8 35.Qe7+ Kc8 36.Qd7#]

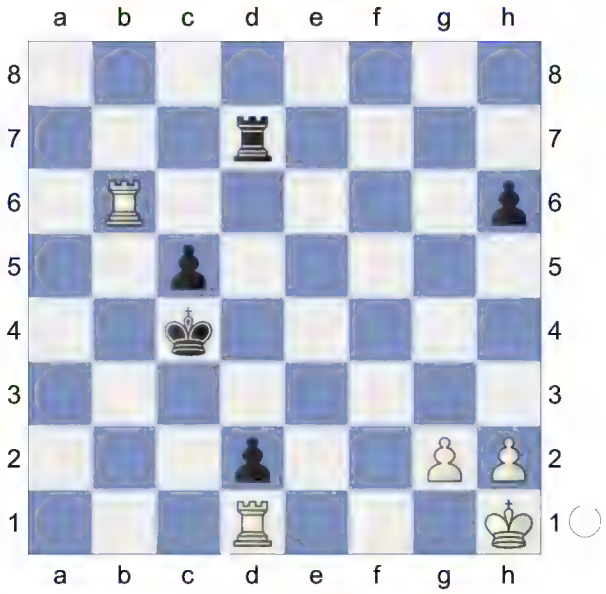
34.Rg1? -2.12/19
[34.Qb6!= -0.01/19]

34...Qe5 -0.63/20
[34...e5-+ -2.12/19 Threatens to win with ...e4. 35.Rb6 e4 36.Rxa6 e3]

35.Qb6∓ d4! 36.Qxa6 -1.04/23
[36.Rge1∓ -0.68/23 Qd5 37.Qxa6]

(Diagram)

36...c5 0.09/21
[36...Rf5!∓ -1.04/23 37.Qb6 Qd6 *(37...Qxa5 38.Qxd4+ Ke8 39.Rgd1∓)*]
37.Qb5+ Ke7 38.a6 Rf8 0.01/22 Repels Qb8
[38...Ra7!∓ -0.45/26 feels stronger.]
39.Rbe1 Qd6 40.Qc4 -1.93/15
[40.Rgf1!= -0.01/22 and White has nothing to worry. Rxf1+ 41.Rxf1]
40...Ra8 -0.60/19
[40...d3-+ -1.93/15 41.Re3 Rd7]
41.Rgf1? -2.66/21
[41.Qd3∓ -0.60/19]
41...Rc6? 1.15/23
[41...Rxa6 42.Qd3-+]
[41...Qxa6-+ -2.66/21 42.Qb3 Rf8]
42.Qd3 Raxa6? 8.57/22
[42...Rcxa6± 0.90/19 43.Qg6 Kd7]
43.Qg6+- Kd8 44.Rf7? -0.44/21
[White should try 44.Qxg7+- 8.12/21 Kc8 45.Rf8+ *(45.Qxh6 Kb7=)* 45...Qxf8 46.Qxf8+ Kb7 47.Qxh6]
44...Kc8? 2.95/23
[44...Rc7∓ -0.44/21 stays ahead. 45.Rxg7 Rxg7 46.Qxg7 Ra3]
45.Qxg7? 0.73/23
[45.Rxg7+- 2.95/23 Rc7 46.Rg8+ Kb7 47.Qe8]
45...Rc7± 46.Qg8+ Kb7 47.Rf8 Rb6? 8.78/19
[47...Ra3± 0.79/18]
48.Rb8++- Kc6 49.Qe8+ Qd7 50.Rxe6+ Kd5 51.Qxd7+ -0.01/19
[51.Rbxb6+- 5.91/22 Intending Qh5+ and mate. Qxe8 52.Rbd6+ *(52.Rxe8 Rd7+-)* 52...Kc4 53.Rxe8]
51...Rxd7= 52.Rbxb6 d3 53.Re1!
[53.Rxh6 d2 54.Rb1 c4 55.Rh5+ Kd4 56.Rh4+ *(56.Rh3? Re7-+)* 56...Kc3∓]
53...d2 0.38/21
[53...c4= -0.01/23]
54.Rd1± Kc4? 3.49/24
[Better is 54...Ke4± 0.34/25]

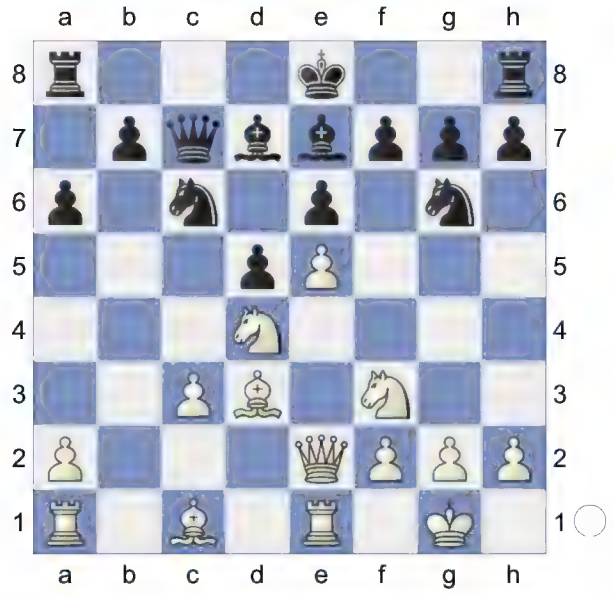


55.Rb2!+-
[And not 55.Rxh6 Kb3=]
55...Kc3 56.Ra2 c4 57.Kg1 Re7? 7.91/20
[57...h5 3.15/20 58.Kf2 h4]
58.Raxd2 White is clearly winning.
58...Kb3 59.Kf2 c3 60.Re2 Both players deserved the win here.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.84/ Black=1.02

60...Rf7+ Loss on time!?
0-1

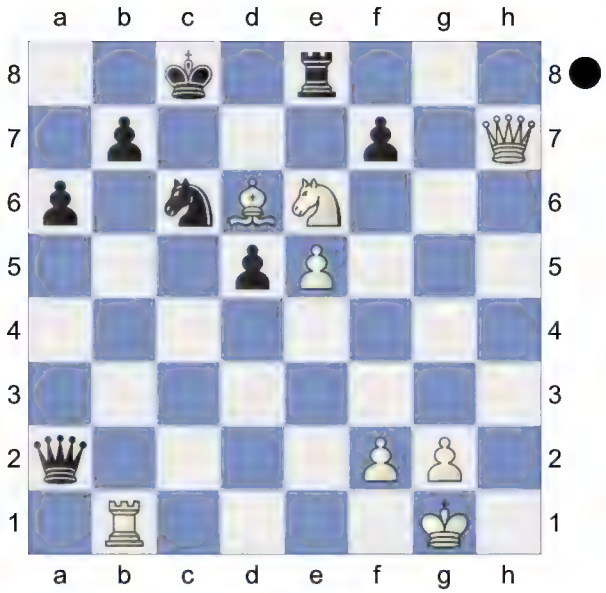
99 **C02**
□ **Lazavik,Denis** **2605**
■ **Gavilan Diaz,M** **2202**
Titled Tue 16th Sep 2025 blitz (1)
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.Nbd2 White has an edge. **9...Ng6 10.Nb3 dxc3 11.bxc3 Qc7 12.Qe2 Be7** Wards off h4
13.Nbd4 a6
[13...0-0 14.Rb1 f5 15.exf6 Rxf6 16.Bxg6 Rxg6 17.Nxc6 Bxc6 18.Ne5 Rf6 19.Bg5 Rff8 20.Nxc6 Bxg5 21.Qxe6+ Kh8 22.Ne5 Rad8 23.Re2 Bf6 24.Rbe1 Bxe5 25.Qxe5 Qxe5 26.Rxe5 Kg8 27.g3 d4 28.cxd4 ½-½ (35) Booktester (2968)-RaspFish (2991) Blitz 2024]



14.h4N -1.02/22
[14.Rb1 Na5 15.g3 Nc4 16.h4 Nf8 17.Bf4 h6 18.Nf5 Rg8 19.Bxc4 dxc4 20.Nd6+ Bxd6 21.exd6 Qc8 22.Ne5 b5 23.Qh5 g6 24.Qxh6 f6 25.Ng4 Qd8 26.Re3 Bc6 27.Rbe1 Bd5 28.Rd1 Bc6 1-0 (30) Posizione (2515)-Hansen,E (2117) Soviet Union 1950 (1) 29.d7+ Kf7 30.Bg5 1-0 Paichadze,L (2515)-Ikramul,H (2117) Indore op 1st 2023 (1)]
14...Bxh4? 0.68/23
[14...Nxh4∓ -1.02/22 15.Nxh4 Bxh4]
15.Nxh4± Nxh4 16.Ba3 Ng6! 17.Bd6 White has compensation. White is much more active. **17...Qa5** 2.12/20
[Better is 17...Qd8!± 0.58/19]
18.Qb2 Nd8 2.64/21
[18...Ra7± 1.40/20 was called for.]
19.c4 1.30/21
[19.Nb3+- 2.64/21 Qb6 20.a4]
19...Nf4? 3.54/22
[19...dxc4± 1.30/21 20.Bxc4 Qa4]
20.Bf1? 0.81/22 A strong pair of Bishops.
[20.Qc1+- 3.54/22 and the rest is easy. g5 *(20...Nxd3? too greedy. 21.Qg5+-)* 21.Nb3]
20...dxc4± 21.Bxc4→ White attacks with force. **21...Nd5?** 6.27/21
[21...Rc8± 0.95/21 22.Qc1 Ng6 *(22...Nd3? 23.Qg5+-)*]
22.Rac1 Rc8 7.60/24
[⌓22...Ne7 4.94/19 23.Re3 Nc8]
23.Nb3 Qb6 8.56/20
[⌓23...Qxe1+ 4.12/22 24.Rxe1 Rxc4]
24.Bxd5+- exd5 25.Rxc8 Bxc8 26.Qc1 Qg5! is the strong threat.
26...Be6 27.Qg5 Kd7 28.Nc5+ Kc8 29.Rc1 White threatens Nd7+! and mate.
29...Nc6 30.Qxg7 Re8 31.Qxh7 Qb2 32.Rb1 Qxa2 33.Nxe6

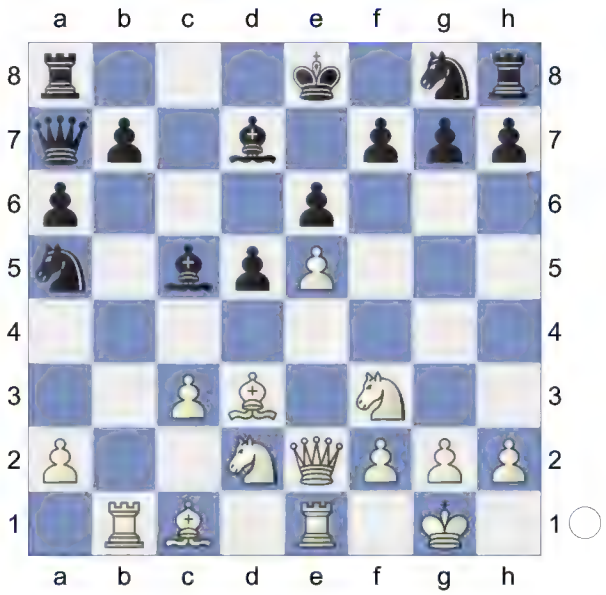
(Diagram)



Deflection **33...Rxe6** **34.Qg8+** **Nd8** **35.Rc1+** **Kd7**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.65/ Black=1.24
36.Rc7#
1-0

100 **C02**
□ **Henriquez Villagra,Cristobal** **2604**
■ **Santos Flores,A** **2168**
45th Olympiad 2024 (4.33) 14.09.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4** 3 **e6** 1:21 **2.d4** 7 **d5** 4 **3.e5** 5 **c5** 5 **4.c3** 5 **Qb6** 34 **5.Nf3** 25 **Nc6** 1:24 **6.Bd3** 25 **cxd4** 11 **7.0-0** 7 **Bd7** 6 **8.Re1** 7 **a6** 3:10 **9.Nbd2** 34 White has an edge. **9...dxc3** 4:17 **10.bxc3** 15 **Bc5** 5:39 **11.Qe2** 3:42 White has compensation. **11...Na5** 48 **12.Rb1N** -0.03/20 5:35 Prevents Bd7-b5.
[12.Nd4± 0.35/20 might be stronger.]
[12.c4 dxc4 13.Bxc4 Nxc4 *(13...Ne7 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Bd3 Bc6 16.Ne4 Bxe4 17.Qxe4 #23* Theory 4C: 5... Qb6-Advance French 5...Qb6 *)* 14.Nxc4 Qc7 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qxd6 17.Qe3 #24 Theory 4C: 5... Qb6-Advance French 5...Qb6]
12...Qa7 0.40/21 17
[12...Bb5= -0.03/20]



13.Nd4!± 6:06 **Ne7** 3:01 **14.N2b3** 0.18/19 4:47
[14.Qg4!± 0.56/19 feels stronger.]
14...Nxb3= 28 **15.Nxb3** 15 **Bb6** 1:58 **16.Ba3** 9:33 **Ng6** 6:21 **17.g3** 3:20 Prevents Ng6-f4 **17...Ba4** 1.05/20 43
[17...Rc8± 0.48/19]
18.h4± 12:11 White is more active. **18...Bxb3** 7:16 **19.axb3** 13
[19.Rxb3 Bc5±]
19...Bc5 3:37 **20.b4** 14 **Bb6** 1.78/20 16
[20...Be7± 1.37/17]
21.Rb3? 0.07/18 17:29
[21.h5+- 1.78/20]
21...Ne7 1.75/17 3:17
[21...Nxe5!= 0.07/18 22.Qxe5 Bxf2+ 23.Kg2 Bxe1 24.Qxe1 0-0]
22.b5+- 29 Threatens to win with b5xa6.
22...a5 4:24 **23.Qg4?** -0.52/16 3:35
[White should try 23.c4+- 1.61/19]
23...Kf8? 2.34/20 17:48

[23...Bxf2+∓ -0.52/16 24.Kg2 Qb6 *(24...Bxe1? 25.b6+-)*]
24.Bxe7+ 3:05 Deflection **24...Kxe7** 4 Black is weak on the light squares **25.Qxg7** 48 Black must now prevent Qg7-f6+. **25...Rag8** 2.88/21 3:19
[25...Bxf2+? loses. 26.Kf1 Rhg8 *(26...Bxe1? 27.b6+-)* 27.Qf6+ *(27.Qxh7?* is the wrong capture. *Bxe1 28.b6 Qb8-+)* 27...Kf8 28.Qxf2+-]
[⌓25...Rhf8 1.89/19 26.Qf6+ *(26.Bxh7? Bxf2+ 27.Kg2 Bxe1-+)* 26...Ke8]
26.Qf6+ 1:58 **Ke8** 1 **27.Kf1** 52 c3-c4 is the strong threat. **27...Qb8** 3.44/18 33
[27...a4 2.05/17 was worth a try. 28.Rb4 a3]
28.c4 2:33 c4xd5 would now be deadly. **28...d4** 4.21/19 6:47
[⌓28...Qd8 3.00/16 29.Qf3 Kf8 30.cxd5 Qxd5]
29.c5 53 **Bxc5** 5.95/19 39
[⌓29...Bd8 4.02/17]
30.b6 5 **h5** 7:04 **31.Rc1** 1:54 **Be7** 4:03 **32.Qf3** 5 **Bd8** 35

33.Rc7! 4:11 Double Attack **33...Rg7** 6:59
[33...Bxc7 34.bxc7]
34.Rxb7 22 **Qxe5** 10 **35.Qc6+** 35 **Kf8** 11 **36.Rd7** 7 **Qb8** 2:54 **37.Qc5+** 1:11 Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/ Black=0.76
1-0

101 **C02**
□ **Yoo,Christopher Woojin** **2603**
■ **Rahman,Masruri** **2327**
Titled Tue 24. Sep Early (11) 24.09.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.h4** -0.43/20
[White should try 8.Re1= 0.16/20]
8...h6 0.10/20
[8...Nh6∓ -0.43/20]
9.Re1= The position is equal. **9...Nge7 10.h5 Rc8 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Nf5 13.Rb1** White has compensation. **13...Qc7 14.Nb3**
[14.Bxf5 exf5 15.Nb3 Be6 16.Nbd4 Bc5 17.Nb5 Qe7 18.Be3 0-0 19.Bxc5 Qxc5 20.Nfd4 Rc7 21.Nxc7 1-0 Yip,C (2418)-Hou,Y (2650) Women's Speed Chess Main blitz 2022 (1.34)]
[14.c4 dxc4 15.Nxc4 Bc5 16.Bxf5 exf5 17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Rxb7 Qd8 19.Nxc8 Qxc8 20.Qxd7 Qxd7 21.Rxd7 Bb6 22.e6 fxe6 23.Rxe6 1-0 Maslovskiy,V (2280)-Osmonbekov, T (2109) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Late blitz 2024 (10)]
14...Be7 15.Bf4 0-0 16.Qd2 And now Bd3xf5 would win. **16...Nh4N**
[16...Na5 17.Bxf5 Nc4 18.Qd4 Na3 19.Rbc1 Nb5 20.Qd2 Ba3 21.Rc2 exf5 22.e6 Bd6 23.Bxd6 Qxd6 24.exd7 Qxd7 25.Rcc1 Rfd8

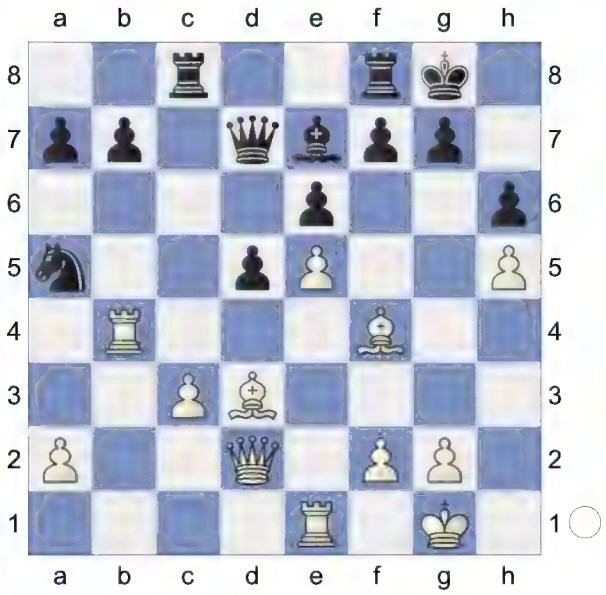
26.Nbd4 Nd6 27.Qf4 Qa4 28.Nh4 Rc4 29.Qe5 Ne4 30.Nhxf5 f6 31.Qe6+ 1-0 Chekhov,V (2059)-Mollamustafaoglu,O (1530) Srbija (ch) 114/(202) 2012 (2) Kh8 32.f3 Ng5 33.Qe7 Rg8 34.Nxh6 Rxc3 35.Nhf5 Rxc1 36.Rxc1 Qxa2 37.Rc8 1-0 Mrudul,D (2059)-Natura,B (1530) IND-ch U19 Girls 2023 (2)]

17.Nxh4 Bxh4 18.Nc5 Na5 19.Nxd7 Qxd7 20.Rb4? -1.34/19

[20.g3± 0.66/21]

20...Be7? 2.44/22

[20...f5!∓ -1.34/19 and life is bright. ... Bh4-e7 is the strong threat. 21.Bxh6 Be7]



This costs Black the game. **21.Bxh6!+- Bxb4?** 6.37/24

[21...gxh6? 22.Qxh6 f5 23.Rg4++- *(23.exf6 Bxf6+-; 23.exf6 Bxf6+-)*]

[21...f5 2.26/20]

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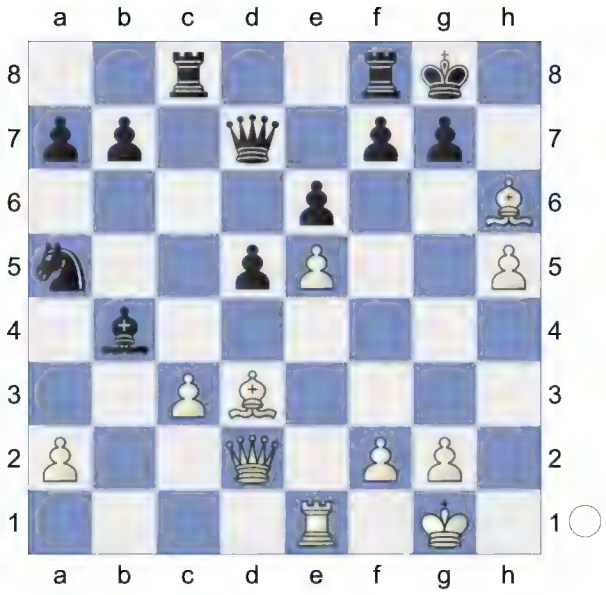
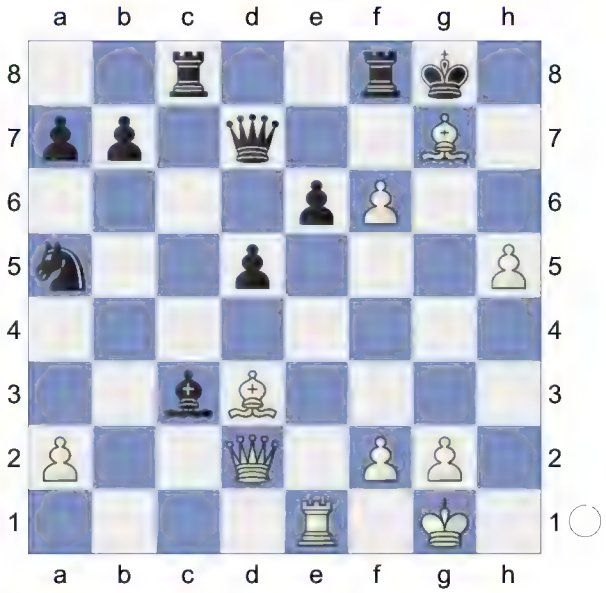


22.Bxg7! Intending Qd2-g5 and mate. A strong pair of Bishops.

[22.Qg5 f5 *(22...Bxc3 23.Qxg7#; 22...f6? 23.Qg6∓)* 23.cxb4 Nc6-+]

22...f5 23.exf6 White threatens Qd2-h6! and mate. **23...Bxc3**



24.Qh6 Qxg7

[24...Rxf6 25.Qh7+]

25.fxg7 White mates. **25...Bxg7 26.Qh7+ Kf7 27.h6** 11.29/17 Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.97

[⌓27.Qg6+ #10/16 Kg8 28.h6 Pin

(28.Rxe6 Rf7 29.h6 Pin *Kf8 30.hxg7+ Rxg7 31.Rf6+ Kg8 32.Qf5 Rc1+ 33.Kh2 Rxg2+* Decoy *34.Kxg2 Rg1+ 35.Kxg1 Kg7 36.Rg6+ Kh8 37.Qh5#)* 28...Rf7 29.hxg7 Rxg7 30.Qxe6+ Rf7 31.Qxc8+ Kg7 32.Re8 Re7 33.Qg4+ *(33.Rxe7+ Kf6 34.Qf8+ Kg5 35.Qg8+ Kh6 36.Rh7#)* 33...Kf6 34.Qf5+ Kg7 35.Qg6#]

1-0

102 **C02**

□ **gettingseriousnow** **2599**

■ **gringo2010** **2438**

Rapid 10.01.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation E70: King's Indian: Miscellaneous lines with 4 e4, including 5 Nge2 and 5 Bd3 0-0 6 Nge2 **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.a3** The position is equal. **9...a6**

[9...Nge7 10.h4 g6 11.b4 Bg7 12.b5 Na5 13.Nxd4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.a4 Nd5 16.Ba3 Qd8 17.Qf3 Qxh4 18.Nd2 Qf4 19.Qxf4 Nxf4 20.Ne4 Bxe5 21.Bd6 Bxd6 22.Nxd6+ Ke7 23.Nxc8+ Rxc8 24.Rad1 Kanli,A (2492)-Buese,R (2729) Kallithea 2023 Inf 73 [John Watson] 0-1 (59)]

10.Bc2N

[10.b4 Nge7 *(10...dxc3 11.Nxc3 Nxb4 12.Na4 Bxa4 13.Qxa4+ Nc6 14.Rb1 Qa5 15.Qg4 b5 16.Bb2 Nge7 17.h4 h5 18.Qf4 Nd8 19.Rec1 Nec6 20.Bc3 Qb6 21.a4 b4 22.a5 Qxa5 23.Bd2 Qb6 24.Ng5 a5 25.Be3* Basagic,V (2320)-Wong,A (2020) Manila 1992 [ChessCalisthenics] 1-0 (40) *Qb7 26.Rb2 Be7 27.Rbc2 b3 28.Rb2 Qb4 29.Qf3 a4 30.Bd2 Qb6 31.Ra1 Ra8 32.Bc2 Qa6 33.Bxb3 Qb5 34.Bc3 Rb8 35.Bc2 Qc5 36.Rxb8 Nxb8 37.Bxa4+ Ndc6 38.Bxc6+ Nxc6 39.Qxf7+ Kd8 40.Qxe6* Mas,J (2236)-Wilson,E (2183) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (40)) 11.h4 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nd4 13.Bb2 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 Nc6 15.Qh5 g6 16.Qg5 Be7 17.Na4 Qd8 18.Qh6 Bf8 19.Qf4 Be7 20.Nc5 Bxc5 21.bxc5 Na5 22.Qh6 Nb3 23.Rad1 Rxc5 24.Qg7 Rf8 Kliatskin,M (1969)-Adorjan,A (1929) Luis Paucar Perez Memorial 199 2023 The Week in Chess 509 [John Watson] ½-½ (40)]

10...dxc3 11.Nxc3 Nge7 12.Be3 Qc7

[12...Qxb2? 13.Na4 Qxa1 14.Qxa1+-]

13.Rc1 Nxe5 14.Bf4 -0.62/18

[14.Nxe5= -0.17/19 Qxe5 15.Na4]

14...Nxf3+∓ 15.Qxf3 Qd8 16.Bb3 Bc6

[Worse is 16...Qb6 17.Nxd5 Rxc1 18.Bxc1 exd5 19.Bxd5∓]

17.Bg5 -1.01/19

[17.Rcd1!∓ -0.54/17]

17...Qd7 18.h4 h6 19.Bf4 d4 -0.01/21

[19...h5∓ -1.01/19 20.Bd2 a5]

20.Ne4 -0.81/16

[20.Qh5= -0.01/21 remains equal. g6 21.Qe5]

20...Nd5 0.01/22

[20...Nf5∓ -0.81/16 And now ...Be7 would win. 21.Qh5 Kd8]

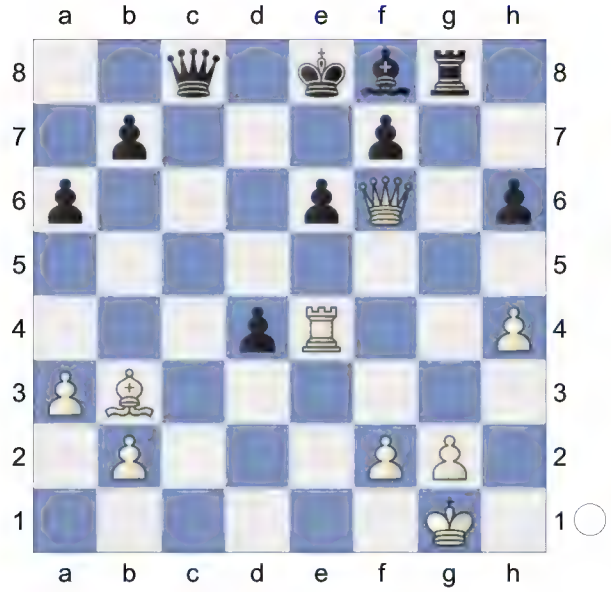
21.Be5= Nf6 1.21/21

[21...Ne7!= -0.01/19 keeps the balance.]

22.Bxf6± &Bianco is much more active.

[Much weaker is 22.Nxf6+?! gxf6 23.Qxf6 Rg8=]

22...Bxe4 23.Rxc8+
[23.Bxe6 looks sharper. fxe6 24.Rxc8+ Qxc8 25.Qh5+]
23...Qxc8 24.Rxe4
[Much worse is 24.Qxe4?! gxf6 25.Qxd4 Bg7=]
24...gxf6 25.Qxf6 Rg8 7.52/20
[25...Rh7± 0.87/20]

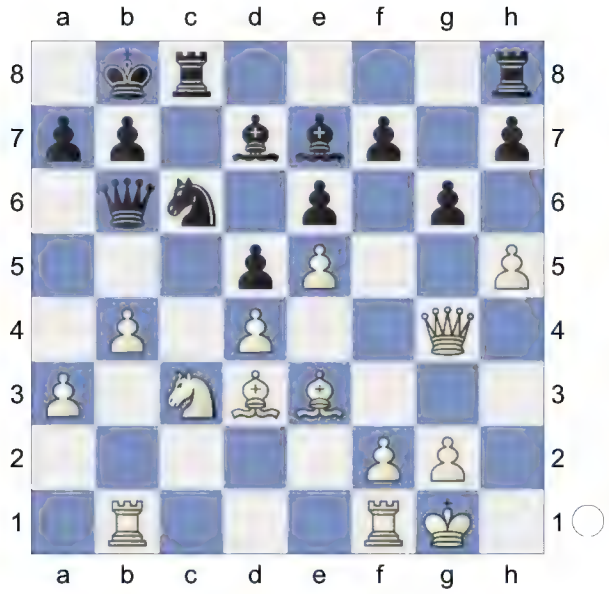


Loses the game. **26.Bxe6!+-** White is clearly winning. **26...fxe6**
[26...Qc1+ 27.Kh2]
27.Rxe6+ Qxe6 28.Qxe6+ Kd8 29.Qxg8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.34
1-0

103 **C02**
□ **dr_xStranger** **2599**
■ **rasulovvugar** **2780**
Blitz 12.02.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nge7**
[8...Nxd4 9.Nxd4 *(9.Nc3 Nxf3+ 10.Qxf3 Ne7 11.Ne2 Ng6 12.Qg3 Be7 13.Be3 Qd8 14.f4 0-0 15.Qg4 Rc8 16.Rf3 Nh4 17.Rg3 g6 18.Nd4 Kh8 19.Rh3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 exf5 21.Qf3 Qa5 22.Rh6 Kg7 23.Qh3 Rh8* Herault,T (2027)-Zitzewitz Von (2078) Serbian Team Championship (Game 26) 2023 CT-1266 [John Watson] 1-0 (66)) 9...Qxd4 10.Nc3 a6 11.Qe2 Ne7 12.Kh1 Qb6 13.f4 d4 14.Ne4 Nf5 15.a4 a5 16.Bd2 Be7 17.Nf6+ gxf6 18.exf6 Bxf6 19.Bxf5 Rc8 20.Be4 Bc6 21.Rac1 Rg8 22.f5 e5 23.g4 Hebels,A (2463)-Kribben,M (2584) ICCF email 2007 Myers [Kribben] 0-1 (44)]
9.Nc3 Ng6 10.h4N -0.01/18
[10.Be3± 0.66/16 Be7 11.Qe2 0-0 12.Rfc1 f6 13.exf6 Bxf6 14.Na4 Qc7 15.Nc5 Rae8 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.Nd3 Qd8 18.Nde5 Bxe5 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.dxe5 Bc6 21.Qg4 Rf5 22.Qxg6 d4 23.Bh6 Qe7 24.Rd1 Kh8 25.Bd2 Chapter-Games Game 4 (35)]
10...Be7 0.94/20
[10...Nxd4= -0.01/18 remains equal. 11.Nxd4 Qxd4 12.Bxg6 Qxd1 13.Bxf7+ Kxf7 14.Rxd1 Be7]
11.h5± White is better. **11...Nh4 12.Nxh4 Bxh4 13.Be3 Be7**
[13...Qxb2? 14.Nb5 Nxe5 15.dxe5 Bxb5 16.Rb1 Qxe5 17.Bxb5+ Kf8 18.Bd3+-]
[13...Nxd4? 14.Qg4 Qb4 15.Bxd4+-]
14.Qg4 g6 15.a3
[15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Rfc1 Rh4=]
15...0-0-0 16.b4 Strongly threatening b5.
[16.hxg6?! hxg6 17.Na4 Qb3∓]
16...Kb8 1.92/20
[16...gxh5± 1.13/20 17.Qxh5 Rdf8]

17.Rab1 1.05/19
[17.h6+- 1.92/20]
17...Rc8 2.29/19
[17...gxh5± 1.05/19 18.Qf4 *(18.Qxh5 Rdf8±)* 18...Rhg8]



18.Na4 1.30/22
[18.Nxd5!+- 2.29/19 Qd8 *(18...exd5 19.Qxd7)* 19.Nf6]
18...Qd8 19.Nc5 0.96/17 0x0.00175a7b6234dp-1022s more active pieces.
[White should play 19.b5 1.38/20]
19...b6 1.68/20
[19...Bxc5± 0.96/17 20.bxc5 gxh5]
20.Nxd7++-
[Resist 20.hxg6?! hxg6 21.Nxd7+ Qxd7±]
20...Qxd7 21.Bb5 Nxe5

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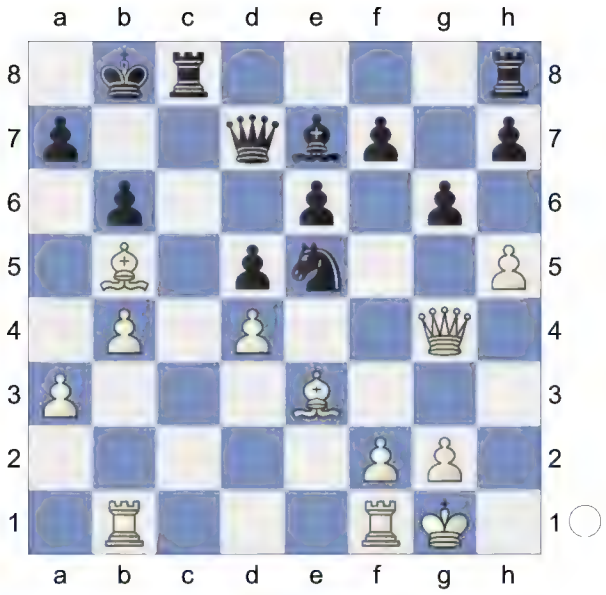
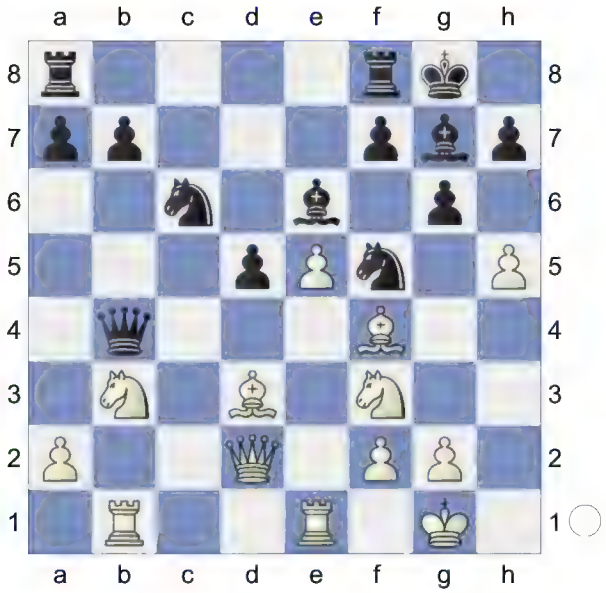


22.Bxd7 0.56/22
[White should try 22.Qe2!± 1.52/22 Nc6 23.Rbc1]
22...Nxg4± 23.Bxc8 Rxc8 24.hxg6 hxg6 25.Rbc1 Hoping for Bf4+.
25...Nxe3 1.98/24
[25...Rc4± 0.51/21]
26.Rxc8++-
[Don't do 26.fxe3 Rxc1 27.Rxc1 a5 28.bxa5 bxa5]
26...Kxc8 27.fxe3± Endgame KR-KB
27...f5 28.Kf2 Kd7 29.b5 g5 30.a4 g4 3.42/29
[30...e5 2.41/23 might work better. 31.dxe5 Ke6]
31.Ke2 Kc7 32.Rh1 Kd6 33.Rh8 Kd7 34.Ra8 Bd6? 5.64/28
[34...Kd6 3.33/24 35.Rxa7 Bh4]
35.Rxa7+ White is clearly winning.
35...Bc7 11.29/23
[⌓35...Kd8 5.09/27 36.Ra6 Kc7]
36.a5+- Kc8 37.axb6 Bxb6 38.Re7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.60
1-0

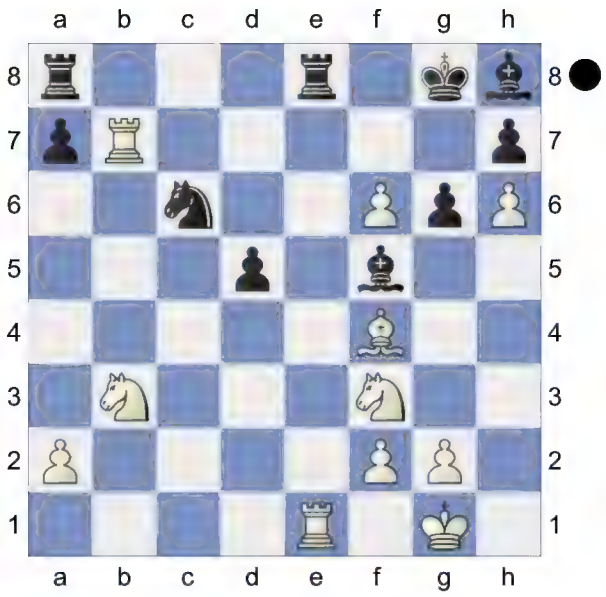
104 **C02**
□ **Larsen,Magnus** **2599**
■ **Terminator_10000** **2590**
Blitz 19.05.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Nge7**
[7...Bd7 8.Nbd2 Rc8 9.Nb3 dxc3 10.bxc3 Qc7 11.Re1 Nge7 12.h4 Ng6 13.Qe2 Be7 14.h5 Ngxe5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Qxe5 Nxe5 17.Rxe5 Bf6 18.Re3 Rxc3 19.Rb1 d4 20.Rg3 0-0 21.Bb2 Rfc8 22.Bxc3 Carlsen,M (2813)-Dominguez Perez,L (2713) Nice 2010 CBM 138 [Karolyi,Tibor] 1-0 (47)]
8.h4 g6 9.Re1 The position is equal.
9...Bd7 10.Nbd2N
[10.h5 a6 11.a3 Rc8 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nd4 14.Be3 Nxf3+ 15.Qxf3 Qd8 16.Rac1 Nc6 17.Qg3 Bg7 18.Bg5 Qb6 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Nxd5 Qa7 21.Nf6+ Bxf6 22.Bxf6 Rg8 23.Qh4 Qd4 24.Rxc6 Qxd3 Fernandez Muixi,F (1920)-Bilych,O (2433) El Vendrell 2023 0-1 25.Rd6 Qf5 26.Red1 Rc7 27.Qd4 Rc8 28.Qh4 Rc7 29.Qd4 1-0 (29) Fernandez Lopez,R (2295)-Sevcikova, L (2051) Maia 2023]
10...dxc3 11.bxc3 Nf5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.c4 Bg7 1.29/19
[13...Nb4± 0.43/17 14.Bxf5 gxf5]
14.cxd5 0.91/20
[⌓14.Bxf5 1.29/19 Threatens to win with cxd5! gxf5 15.cxd5 exd5 16.Ba3]
14...exd5± 15.Nb3 0.14/19
[15.Ba3± 0.91/19]
15...0-0=
[15...Nxe5? 16.Nxe5 Bxe5 17.Bb2+-]
[15...Bxe5? 16.Nc5 Bc8 17.Bxf5+-]
16.Bf4 Be6 0.52/18
[16...Nb4= 0.14/18]
17.Qd2 Qe7 18.h5 Qb4 1.20/19
[Reject 18...gxh5 19.Rec1=]
[18...h6= 0.25/18]



19.Bxf5 0.01/23
[19.Qc1!± 1.20/19]
19...Qxd2 0.54/23
[Don't take 19...gxf5 20.Qe3 Rfc8 21.Nbd4±]
[19...Bxf5= 0.01/23 20.h6 Bh8]
20.Nbxd2± And now Bxe6 would win.
20...Bxf5 21.h6 Bh8 22.Rxb7 Rfe8 23.Nb3 0x0.00175a7b6234dp-1022s more active pieces. **23...f6 24.exf6**

(Diagram)



White wants to mate with f7+.
24...Rxe1+ 25.Nxe1 Intending f7+ and mate. **25...Bxf6 26.Nf3 d4 27.Bg5**
[27.Ng5 with more complications. Nd8 28.Rc7 Ne6 29.Nxe6 Bxe6 30.Nd2]
27...Rf8 6.28/22 Black cannot hold the game after this.
[27...Bh8± 0.68/21]
28.Bxf6+- Rxf6 29.Rg7+ Kf8 30.Rxh7 d3 8.97/21
[⌓30...g5 4.38/22]
31.Rc7 4.12/23
[⌓31.Rh8+ 8.97/21 Ke7 32.h7]
31...g5 32.h7 Bxh7 33.Rxh7 g4 34.Nfd2 Re6 35.Kh2 Ne5 36.Rxa7 Ng6 37.Kg3 Re2 38.Ra4 Ne5 39.Re4 Rxe4 40.Nxe4 Ke7 41.Nbd2 Ke6 42.Kf4 Kd5 43.Nf6+ Kd4 44.Nxg4 Nc4 45.Nxc4 Kxc4 46.Ne5+
Weighted Error Value: White=0.43/ Black=0.65
1-0

105 **C02**
□ **General_Zod_01** **2598**
■ **cn_ua** **2593**
Blitz 18.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation Braun, Christian: 'Jacimovic, Dragoljub: 'EUOROPEAN CHESS CLUB CUP 2021 Tournament Report The 36th European Chess Club Cup was held in Struga from September 18-24. After a break of a year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the best chess teams in Europe came together again. After the withdrawal of the Padova team, the main favorites for the first place remained Alkaloid (Severna Makedonija), Bronze Horseman (Russia) and Novy Bor (Cesko). As many times before, the winner of the tournament was decided in the last round. Bronze Horseman played the whole tournament quite safely, and with a little luck won the first prize. Novy Bor justified the "title" of a respectable team and did not disappoint clinching the second place. Alkaloid failed to finish among the top three teams with a bad result in the last round, even though the team was the rating favourite. All in all, this European Chess Club Cup passed without too much excitement. Also, I should mention that Sloven Ruma, the only Serbian team in the tournament, which consisted of highly experienced grandmasters, found itself in the division of 4-7 place, with five victories and two defeats. Maybe they could have done better, but this is also a solid placement considering the team's starting ranking. The team of Bronze Horseman, led by Svidler (who did not win any games), had outstanding results on the lower

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[9...dxc3 with more complications. 10.bxc3 Ng6 11.Nb3 Be7]

10.cxd4N

[10.Rb1 Ng6 11.Nb3 dxc3 *(11...Be7 12.Nbxd4 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 a6 14.Qg4 Qc7 15.Bd2 0-0 16.Qh5 Bc5 17.Re3 Bxd4 18.cxd4 f5 19.Rh3 Kf7 20.g4 Bb5 21.gxf5 Bxd3 22.fxe6+ Ke8 23.Rxd3 Qc2 24.Rc1 Qxc1+ 25.Bxc1 Rxc1+*

26.Rd1 Schwarz,M (2418)-Souto,R (2040) Ljubljana 2022 CBM 72 ext [John Watson] 1-0 (44)) 12.bxc3 Qc7 13.Nbd4 a6 14.Qe2 Be7 15.g3 0-0 16.h4 b5 17.Nxc6 Qxc6 18.h5 Nh8 19.Qc2 g6 Holzmann,M (2465)-Paolozzi,M (2422) Russia 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Olsson; Korrschack 3/2001]]
[10.Nb3 dxc3 11.bxc3 Na5 12.Be3 Qc7 13.Nxa5 Qxa5 14.Rb1 b6 15.Qe2 Nf5 16.Bxf5 exf5 17.e6 Bxe6 18.Nd4 Be7 19.Bg5 Qc5 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Qxe6 Rc7 22.Rbd1 Rd7 23.Re5 h6 24.Qg6+ Kf8 Kryvoruchko,Y (2689)-Christiansen,J (2609) Struga 2021 Chess Informant 151 [Jacimovic,Dragoljub] 1-0]
[10.h4 h6 11.Nb3 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Nbd4 a6 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Bd2 b5 16.a4 Nc4 17.axb5 axb5 18.Nxb5 Bxb5 19.Rxb5 Nxd2 20.Qxd2 Qxc3 21.Rb7 Qxd2 22.Bb5+ Nc6 23.Nxd2 Kd8 24.Nf3 Bb4 Stevic,H (2549)-Hoang,T (2402) Ajka 2023 [John Watson] 1-0 (57)]

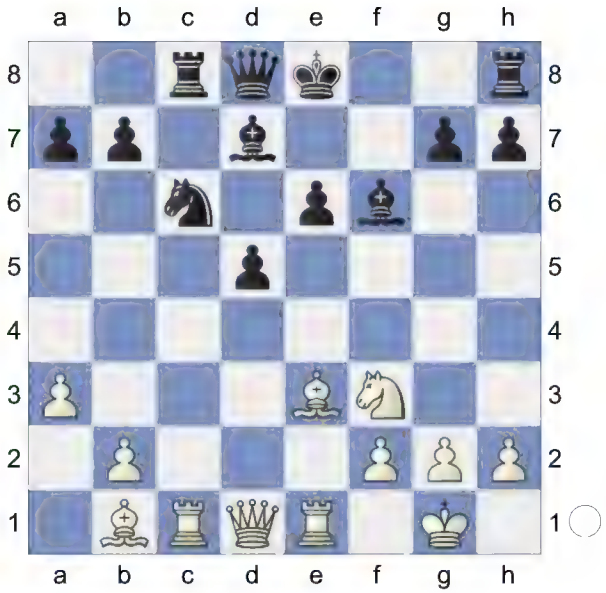
10...Nxd4 11.Nxd4 Qxd4 12.Nf3 Qb6 13.Be3 White has compensation.

13...Qd8 14.Rc1 -0.15/17
[14.Bxa7± 0.36/19 Nc6 15.Be3]

14...Nc6 15.a3 Be7 16.Bb1 f5 0.62/20
[16...a5= -0.17/15]

17.exf6!± Bxf6

(Diagram)



18.Ng5! g6

A g a i n s t Q h 5 **19.Nxh7** Remove Defender, Decoy **19...Rxh7 20.Bxg6+ Rf7 21.Qh5 Ne5 22.Rxc8** -0.01/20 **Qxc8= 23.Bxf7+ Nxf7 24.Rc1**
[24.Bd2]

24...Bc6? 4.09/19
[24...Qb8= 0.01/20]

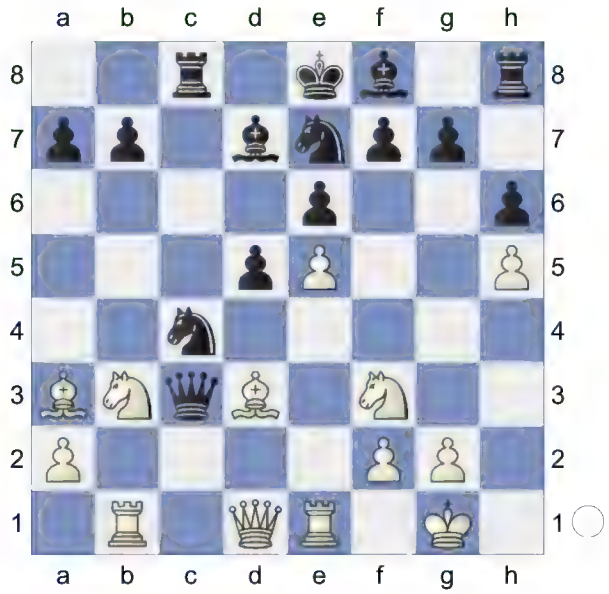
25.Rc2? -1.31/19
[White should play 25.Qg6+- 4.09/19]

25...a6? 3.67/21
[25...d4∓ -1.31/19 stays on course. 26.Qg4 Qd7]

26.h4? -0.75/19
[26.Qg6+- 3.67/21]
26...Qd8 -0.37/19
[Better is 26...d4∓ -0.75/19 27.Qg6 Ke7]
27.g3? -2.41/20
[27.Qg6∓ -0.37/19 d4 28.Bd2]
27...d4-+ 28.Bf4 Qd5 Really sharp! **29.Qxd5 Bxd5** A strong pair of Bishops. **30.h5** -2.26/18
[30.Rc8+ -1.86/20 is a better defense. Bd8 31.h5]
30...d3 31.Rd2 -2.84/20
[31.Rc8+ -1.97/18 was necessary. Ke7 32.Rc7+ Kf8 33.Kf1]
31...Be4 32.g4? -5.00/23
[32.b4 -2.71/19]
32...Ng5 aiming for ...Nh3+. Black is clearly winning. **33.Kf1 Nf3 34.Rd1 Bxb2 35.h6 Kf7 36.g5** -7.41/22
[⌓36.Kg2 -4.57/19]
36...Kg6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.80/Black=0.73
0-1

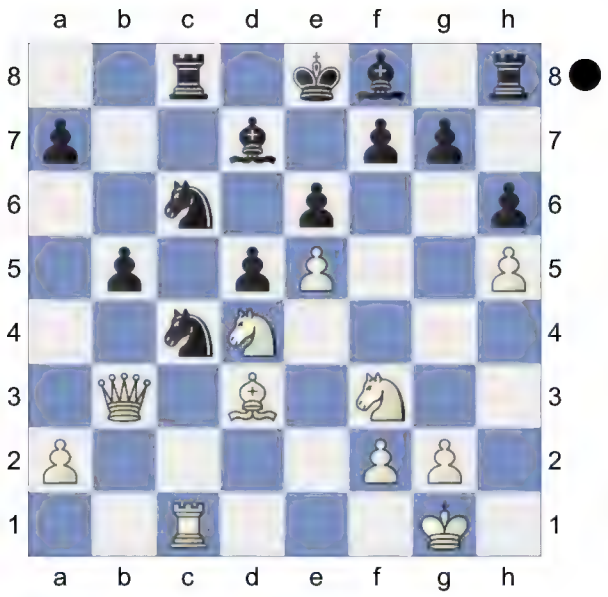
106 **C02**
□ **SexDrugsRnR** **2597**
■ **chess_with_style** **2615**
Blitz 05.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.h5 h6 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Ba3 Qxc3 15.Nb3** aiming for Rc1. **15...Nc4N** 0.50/21
[15...Nec6!∓ -0.40/21 16.Rc1 Qxe1+! 17.Qxe1 Bxa3 18.Rc2 Nxb3 19.axb3 0-0 20.Qe3 Be7 21.Nd4 Nb4 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Bb1 a5 24.Nf3 a4 25.bxa4 Bxa4 26.Kh2 b5 27.Qa7 Bf8 28.Qd7 Ra8 29.Nd4 Bd1 30.f3 Bc5 31.Nxe6 fxe6 32.Qxe6+ Kh8 Guo,A (2432)-Ostrovskiy,A (2404) New York 2022 CBM 211 [Braun, Christian] 1-0 (35) 33.Qg6 Bc2 34.Bxc2 Nxc2 35.Qc6 1-0 (35) Quillan,G (2432)-Polgar,S (2404) Pardubice 2022 Chigorin-Salwe [Kotov: Erbe II, 58]]



16.Rc1!± Nxa3 17.Rxc3 Rxc3 18.Qd2
[18.Nfd4!?]
18...Rc8 19.Rc1 -0.36/20
[19.Na5± 0.41/21]
19...Nc4∓ 20.Qb4 -0.50/26
[20.Qf4= 0.25/23]
20...b5 21.Nbd4 Nc6 22.Qb3

(Diagram)



Nxd4! 23.Nxd4 a6 -0.69/20
[23...Bc5∓ -1.22/21 24.Nxb5 Nxe5 25.Rxc5 Rxc5 26.Nd6+ Ke7]
24.a4 -1.20/20
[Better is 24.Ne2∓ -0.69/20]
24...Bc5∓
[Weaker is 24...bxa4 25.Qb7]
[Don't take 24...Nxe5 25.Rxc8+ Bxc8 26.axb5±]
25.Nf3 0-0
[But not 25...bxa4? 26.Qb7-+]
26.axb5 axb5 27.Ra1 -1.78/20
[27.Bb1∓ -0.67/22]
27...Ra8-+ 28.Qb1 -2.66/23
[⩲28.Qd1 -1.81/20]
28...Bc6 29.Qc1 Rxa1 30.Qxa1 Ra8 31.Qc1 Ra3 32.Bf1 -4.50/23
[32.Bb1 -2.37/21 is a better defense.]
32...Ra2 33.Kh1 Rxf2 34.Bd3 Be3? -1.38/22
[34...Ra2-+ -3.52/21 Hoping for ... Ra3. 35.Bh7+ Kf8]
35.Qa1∓ And now Qa6 would win.
35...Bf4?? 8.85/25
[35...Nb2-+ -2.32/23 36.Bb1 Nc4]
36.Qa6 White threatens Qc8+ and mate. White is clearly winning. **36...Be8 37.Qc8 Kf8 38.Qc5+ Kg8 39.Qxf2**

What a bad dream for Black. Weighted Error Value: White=0.45/Black=0.30
1-0

107 **C02**
□ **Novik** **2597**
■ **Henry,Solenne** **2645**
Budva (1) 21.06.2023
[John Watson]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6 9.Bxh6 gxh6 10.Nbd2 Qxb2 11.Rb1
[11.cxd4 Nxd4 12.Rb1 Qc3 13.Re3 Nxf3+ 14.Nxf3 Qc7 15.Nd4 a6 16.Qh5 Rg8 17.Bxh7]
11...Qxc3 12.Rb3 Qa5 13.Rxb7 Rb8 14.Rxb8+ Nxb8 15.Nxd4 Bb4 16.Re2 Bc3 17.N2b3 Qb6 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Qc1 d4 20.Qxh6 Nb4 21.Ng5 Nxd3 22.Nxf7 Kxf7 23.Qf6+ Kg8 24.Qg5+ Kf7 25.Qf6+ Kg8 26.Qg5+ Kf7 27.Qf6+
½-½

108 **C02**
□ **Gustafsson,J** **2597**
■ **Khodko,Yurii N.** **2354**
Titled Tue 11th Feb Late blitz (10)
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
This game was played in round 6 of the FIDE Grand Swiss in Riga on November 1, 2021. This tournament was part of the qualification cycle for the World Chess Championship. **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7! 8.Re1 0-0-0N** 1.29/17
[8...Nh6= 0.07/19 9.Bxh6 *(9.Ng5*

Be7 10.h4 Nf5 11.Bxf5 exf5 12.e6 fxe6 13.Nxe6 Bxe6 14.Rxe6 0-0 15.h5 Bh4 16.Qe2 Kf7 17.g3 Bf6 18.c4 d3 19.Rxf6+ Kxf6 20.Qxd3 Qd4 21.Qf3 Qe4 22.Qd1 Rfe8 23.Be3 d4 0-1 (44) Bodnaruk,A (2333)-Zhurova,A (2279) RUS Cup tt (Women) 2024 (4.1)*)* 9...gxh6 10.Nbd2 Qxb2 11.Rb1 Qxc3 12.Rb3 Qa5 13.Rxb7 Rb8 14.Rxb8+ Nxb8 15.Nxd4 Bb4 16.Re2 Bc3 17.N2b3 Qb6 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Qc1 d4 20.Qxh6 Nb4 21.Ng5 Nxd3 22.Nxf7 Kxf7 23.Qf6+ Kg8 ½-½ (27) Motylev,A (2597)-L'Ami,E (2645) Prague Challengers 5th 2023 (1)]

[8...dxc3 9.Nxc3 Bb4 10.a3 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Nge7 12.h4 h6 13.a4 0-0-0 14.Ba3 Be8 15.Rb1 Qc7 16.Qe2 Kb8 17.Ba6 Na5 18.Bd6 Rxd6 19.exd6 Qxd6 20.Nd4 Nc8 21.Bb5 Nb6 22.Bxe8 Rxe8 23.Nb5 1-0 (40) Ironstone (2359)-Mikhalchishin,A (2126) World Blitz Moscow RUS 2007 (2)]

[8...Nge7 9.h4 h6 *(9...a6 10.h5 h6 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Nb3 Nec6 15.Bf4 Nxb3 16.axb3 Be7 17.Qd2 Rc8 18.Rbc1 Na5 19.Nd4 Qb6 20.Bc2 Nc6 21.Nf3 Na5 22.Be3 Qc7 23.Bd1 Nc6 24.Bf4* 1-0 (34) Ivanov,M (2319)-Kucera,T (1933) Prague op 21st 2023 (1) *)* 10.a3 Rc8 11.b4 a6 12.Bb2 g5 13.Nh2 Bg7 14.Ng4 gxh4 15.cxd4 h5 16.Nf6+ Bxf6 17.exf6 Ng8 18.Qf3 Rh6 19.Qxd5 Nxf6 20.Qg5 Ng4 21.Nc3 Qd8 22.Qxd8+ Kxd8 23.Ne4 1-0 (26) 6. Model games-Maxime Vachier Lagrave - Pave,R The Supercharged Milner-Barry Gambit 2023]

9.Nbd2 0.34/22

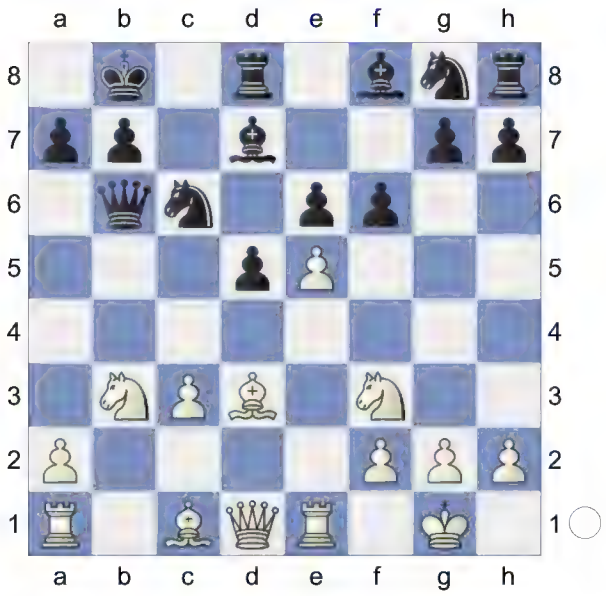
[9.cxd4± 1.29/17 Hoping for Nc3. Nxd4 10.Nxd4 Qxd4 11.Nc3]

9...Kb8 0.78/21

[9...dxc3± 0.34/22 10.bxc3 Kb8]

10.Nb3 dxc3 11.bxc3 f6 1.42/20

[11...Qc7± 0.33/20]



12.Rb1 0.42/19

[12.Bf4!± 1.42/20]

12...Qc7 0.90/19

[12...Nxe5± 0.42/19 13.Nbd4 Qd6]

13.Bf4± A mistake that costs the game.

13...fxe5 2.77/22

[13...Ka8± 0.71/18]

14.Nxe5+- Bd6? 7.64/23

[14...Nxe5 1.94/21 15.Bxe5 Pin Bd6 16.Bxg7 *(16.Na5 b6±)* 16...Ne7]

(Diagram)

15.Nc5! Discovered Attack, Decoy **15...Bxc5 16.Nxd7+ Rxd7 17.Bxc7+ Rxc7 18.Rxe6 Nf6** Repels Re8+ **19.h3 d4 20.Qf3 Rhc8 21.Ba6 Bb6 22.Bb5 Nd8**

23.Rxb6 axb6 24.cxd4 Ne6 25.Qe3 Nd8 26.a4 Nd5 27.Qe5 Nc3 28.Re1 Nf7 29.Qxg7 Nd6 30.Qe5 Ncxb5 31.axb5 Re8 32.Qxe8+ Nxe8 33.Rxe8+ Endgame KR-KR. White is two pawns up. **33...Ka7 34.f4 Rd7 35.f5 Rxd4 36.g4 h5 37.g5**

[Worse is 37.gxh5 Rg4+ 38.Kf2 *(38.Kh2 Rg2+ 39.Kh1 Rg1+ 40.Kh2 Rg2+ 41.Kh1 Rg1+ 42.Kh2 Rg2+=)* 38...Rf4+ 39.Kg3 Rf3+ 40.Kg4 Rf4+ 41.Kg3 *(41.Kg5 Rxf5+* Double Attack *42.Kg4 Rg5+ 43.Kh4 Rxh5+ 44.Kxh5=)* 41...Rf3+ 42.Kg2 Rf2+ 43.Kg3 Rf3+=]

37...Rd5 38.Rf8 Rxb5 39.g6 Rb3 40.Kg2 h4 41.Kf2 Rg3 42.Rf7 b5 43.g7 b4 44.f6 b3 45.Re7 b2 46.Re1 White wants to mate with f7. **46...Rg6 47.Ke2** 9.88/16

[⌓47.f7 33.23/18 Rf6+ 48.Kg2 Rxf7 49.g8Q *(49.g8R Rc7+-)*]

47...Rxf6 48.g8Q

[48.g8R? perishes. Re6+ 49.Kf2 Rxe1 Remove Defender 50.Kxe1 b1Q+-+ *(50...b1R+ 51.Kf2∓)*]

48...Re6+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.40/ Black=0.94

49.Qxe6

1-0

109 **C02**

□ **khubushka2007** **2596**

■ **June31** **2808**

Blitz 30.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...h6 10.h5 Rc8 11.a3 a6 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nxb4 14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Rb1 Qa5N**

[16...Qc7 17.Bd2 Qd7 18.Nh4 Nxe5 19.Qb3 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Rc4 21.g3 Nc6 22.Nf5 Re4 23.f3 Ne5 24.Qb3 Rxe1+ 25.Rxe1 Nc4 26.Bc3 f6 27.Bd4 Kf7 28.Nh4 e5 29.Ng6 Rg8

30.Bf2 Bd6 31.Rd1 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Galchenko,M (2438) chess.com INT 2023 [John Watson] 1-0 (55)]

17.Qg4 b5 18.Re2 Qc7? 1.35/21

[18...Nd8= -0.24/20]

19.a4± 0x0.00175a7b6234dp-1022s more active pieces. **19...bxa4** 2.39/24

[19...b4± 1.34/21 was called for.]

20.Qxa4 Qa5 21.Qg4 0.44/20

[White must play 21.Qxa5+- 2.78/23 Nxa5 22.Bxa6]

21...Ra8 1.69/23

[21...Rb8!± 0.44/20]

22.Be3+- d4 23.Nxd4 0.43/21

[23.Bxd4± 1.58/21 Threatens to win with Bb6. Nd5 24.Ra1]

23...Nxd4 4.91/24

[23...Nxe5± 0.43/21 24.Qe4 Qd5]

24.Bxd4 Nd5 Inhibits Bb6. **25.Rb7 Qa4?** 7.76/24

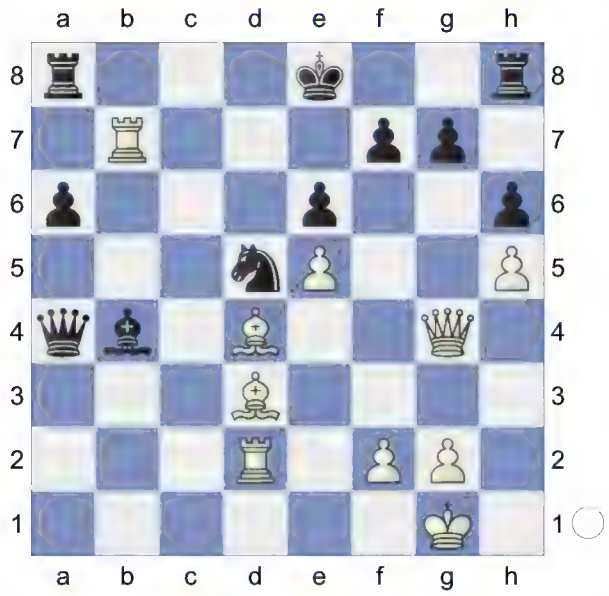
[25...Be7 3.48/21 26.Qxg7 Rf8]

26.Rd2? 3.04/22

[26.Rc2 7.76/24]

26...Bb4? 6.93/24

[26...Qc6 3.04/22]



27.Qxg7! Rf8 28.Rc2 Inhibits Rc8. **28...Be7 29.Rc4 Qd1+ 30.Bf1** Chess con chili. A strong pair of Bishops.

30...a5? 10.49/22

[30...Qxh5 2.08/21 31.Rc6 Qh4]

31.Qxh6 a4

32.Rc1! Weighted Error Value: White=0.66/Black=0.93

1-0

110 **C02**

□ **jeromeovich** **2596**

■ **ecstasyuser** **2694**

Blitz 13.08.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6 9.Bxh6** -0.60/21

[9.h3= 0.00/18 Be7 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Nf5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 h6 14.Bf4 Qd8 15.g4 Nh4 16.Nxh4 Bxh4 17.Nc5 0-0 18.Nxb7 Qc7 19.Nd6 Rab8 20.g5 Rxb1 21.Bxb1 g6 22.gxh6 Kh8 23.Qg4 Be7 24.Bxg6 Mercado Florez,D (2654)-Chaudagne,C (2672) 200 Traps In

The Opening [Rabinovich,A] 1-0]

9...gxh6 -0.09/19
[9...Qxb2∓ -0.60/21 10.Nbd2 dxc3]

10.a3N -0.91/21
[10.Qe2= -0.09/19 keeps the balance.]
[10.Nbd2 Qxb2 11.Rb1 Qxc3 12.Rb3 Qa5 13.Rxb7 Rb8 14.Rxb8+ Nxb8 15.Nxd4 Bb4 16.Re2 Bc3 17.N2b3 Qb6 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Qc1 d4 20.Qxh6 Nb4 21.Ng5 Nxd3 22.Nxf7 Kxf7 23.Qf6+ Kg8 24.Qg5+ Kf7 Motylev,A (2597)-L'Ami,E (2645) Prague 2023 ½-½]

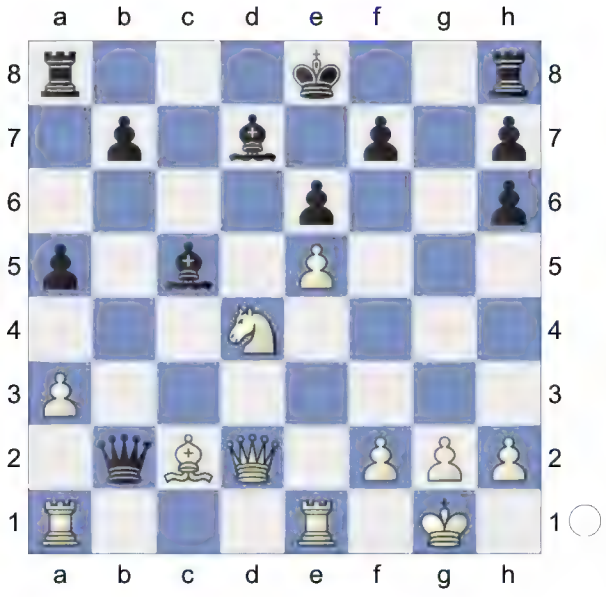
10...Qxb2∓ 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.Nb3 c2 -0.26/19
[12...Bxa3 13.Rb1 Qa2 14.Ra1=]
[12...a5∓ -0.73/18 Strongly threatening ...a4. 13.Re2 c2 14.Bxc2 a4]

13.Bxc2= a5 0.73/21
[13...Qc3∓ -0.38/19 stays ahead.]

14.Qd2!± And now Reb1 would win.

14...d4
[14...Bxa3 15.Reb1 Bb4 16.Rxb2±]

15.Nfxd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 Bc5? 3.58/21
[16...Rc8± 0.80/20]



17.Nb3? -0.01/22
[White has to play 17.Nxe6!+- 3.58/21 Qb6 18.Ng7+ Kf8 19.Nh5 Bxf2+ 20.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 21.Kxf2]

17...Bb6 18.Rab1! Qxa3 19.Qf4 Rg8 1.12/21
[19...Rc8= 0.27/19 20.Be4 Bd8]

20.Bxh7 Rg5 1.53/22
[⌓20...Rg7 1.15/21]

21.h4 White has strong compensation.

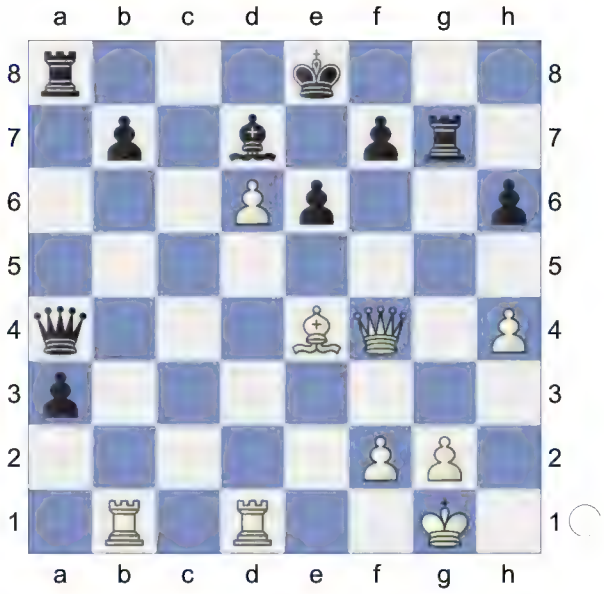
21...Rg7 22.Be4 a4? 3.32/20
[22...Rb8± 1.28/18 was called for.]

23.Nd2+- Qc5 24.Rec1 Qd4 25.Nc4 1.81/23
[⌓25.Rc4 3.58/23 Qxf2+ 26.Qxf2 Bxf2+ 27.Kxf2]

25...Bc5 26.Nd6+ Bxd6 27.exd6 a3? 5.13/23
[27...f5± 0.71/23 is a better chance. 28.Qxh6 fxe4]

28.Rd1
[28.Rxb7 a2 29.Rxd7 *(29.Qxh6 Rg8-+)* 29...a1Q 30.Re7+ Kf8 31.Rxa1 Rxa1+ 32.Kh2 Rd1 33.Rxe6 Rg4 34.Qxg4 *(34.Qxh6+ Qg7=)* 34...fxe6=]

28...Qa4



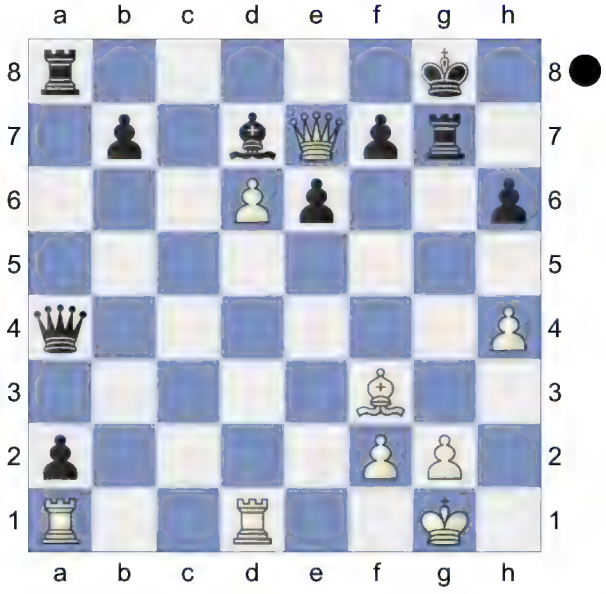
29.Qf6! Kf8 30.Bf3 0.64/19

[White must play 30.Rd4+- 4.53/21 a2 31.Rxa4 axb1Q+ 32.Bxb1 Bxa4 33.Qe7+ Kg8 34.d7 Bxd7 35.Qxd7]

30...a2± 31.Qe7+ -0.64/5

[31.Ra1!± 0.80/21]

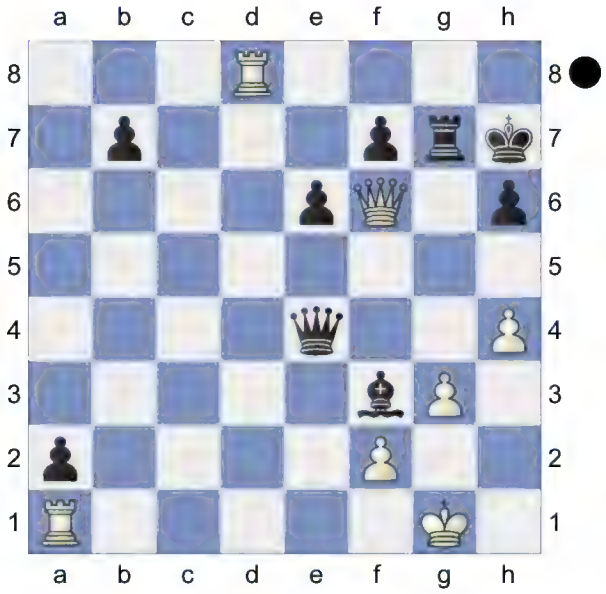
31...Kg8∓ 32.Ra1



Bc6 -0.15/22

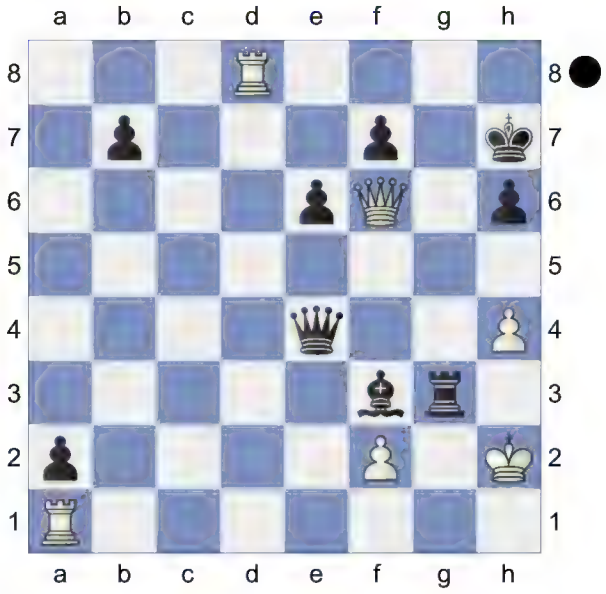
[Black should try 32...Qb3!∓ -0.91/20 Hoping for ...Qxf3. 33.Bd5 *(33.Kh2 f5)* 33...Qb5]

33.d7? -9.33/23 **Bxf3-+ 34.d8Q+ Rxd8 35.Rxd8+ Kh7 36.g3 Qe4** (→ ... Rxg3+!) **37.Qf6**



Qb1+? -2.12/21

[37...Rxg3+!! -#4/10 mates 38.Kh2



Rh3+!! 39.Kxh3 Qg4+ 40.Kh2 Qg2#]

38.Kh2 Qf5 1.39/21 The board is on fire.

[Black should play 38...Bd5-+ -2.40/22 ...b5 is the strong threat. 39.Rd7 b5 40.Rxf7 Qg6 41.Qxg6+ Kxg6]

39.Qxf5+± exf5 40.Rxa2 Endgame KRR-KRB **40...Bc6** 2.08/21 Inhibits Ra4.

[40...f4± 1.45/23 keeps fighting. 41.gxf4 Bc6]

41.Rd6 Threatens to win with Rf6.

41...Rg6 2.13/25 Prevents Rf6.

[41...Rg8± 1.26/22 was worth a try. 42.Rf6 Kg7 43.Rxf5 Rd8]

42.Rxg6+- Kxg6 KR-KB **43.f4 Kf6 44.Kg1 Ke6 45.Kf2 Kd6?** 3.49/27

[45...Kf6 1.96/27 is a better defense. 46.h5 Bh1]

46.Rd2+ 1.83/24

[⌓46.Ra8 3.49/27]

46...Kc5? 3.76/25

[46...Bd5 1.83/24 47.Rc2 Bc6]

47.Rd7?? -18.86/21 **b5??** 3.78/28

[47...Bxd7-+ -18.86/21 and all is fine.

48.g4 fxg4 49.Ke3 b5 50.f5 b4 51.h5 b3 52.Ke4 b2 53.Ke5 b1Q 54.Kf6 g3 55.Ke7 Qxf5 56.Kd8 g2 57.Kc7 Bc8 58.Kb8 Qd7 59.Ka8 Qb7#]

48.Rxf7 Kb6? 8.15/25

[48...Be4 3.65/23 49.Rc7+ Kb6]

49.Rxf5 b4 50.Rb5+?? -#19/24 Bxb5 51.g4 Kc5 Black mates. **52.g5 Bd7 53.gxh6 Bf5** What a bad dream for White. Weighted Error Value: White=1.03/Black=1.05

0-1

111 **C02**

□ **Dynamicdesicion** **2593**

■ **www68** **2604**

Blitz 27.06.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 h6 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...a6 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Na5 12.Rb1N**

[12.Nb3 Rc8 13.Be3 Qc7 14.Nxa5 Qxa5 15.Bd2 Bc5 16.Nd4 Ne7 17.Nb3 Qa4 18.Qh5 g6 19.Qf3 Bb6 20.Qf6 Rg8 21.h5 Bd8 22.Qf3 gxh5 23.Nd4 Nc6 24.Bxh6 Nxd4 25.cxd4 Qxd4 26.Bh7 Rh8 Steiner,A (2198)-Vrana,F (2212) Austria 2023 0-1 (32)]

12...Qc7 13.c4 -0.63/20

[13.h5= -0.20/17]

13...Nxc4 0.05/19

[13...dxc4∓ -0.63/20 14.Bc2 0-0-0]

14.Bxc4= dxc4 15.Ne4 Bc6 -0.01/22

[15...b5∓ -0.47/20]

16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 Bxf3? 5.62/21

18.Qxf3+- Qc6 19.Rxb7? 2.41/21

[19.d7+ 9.47/21 Kf8 20.Ba3+ Ne7 21.Qxc6 bxc6 22.Red1]

19...Qxf3 20.gxf3 0.43/22

[20.d7++- 1.69/22 Kd8 21.gxf3]

20...Rd8? 2.05/22

[20...Nf6± 0.43/22]

21.Ba3! Nf6 22.Rc1 1.07/21

[White should play 22.Re7++- 2.14/21 Kf8 23.Rc1]

22...Nd5? 3.56/21

[22...Rd7± 1.07/21 23.Rb8+ Rd8]

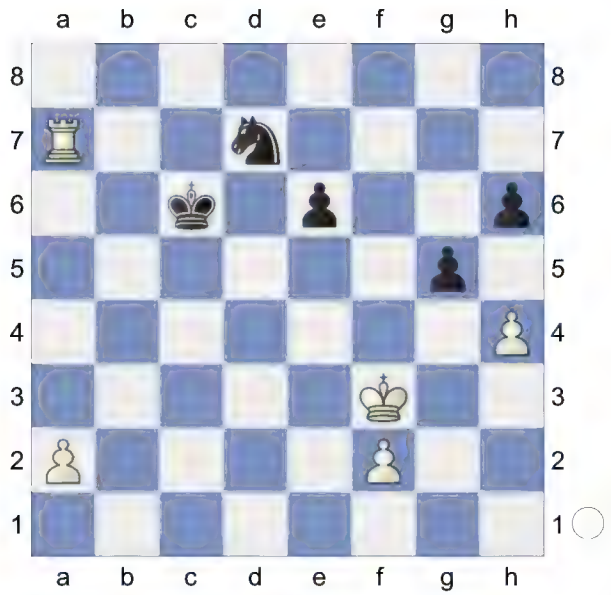
23.Rxc4 And now d7+! would win.

23...0-0 24.d7 Nf6 25.Bxf8 Kxf8 Endgame KRR-KRN **26.Rc8 Ke7 27.Rxd8 Kxd8** KR-KN **28.Ra7 Nxd7 29.Rxa6 Kc7 30.Ra7+ Kc6 31.f4** Prevents g5. **31...g6 32.Kg2 f6 33.Kf3 g5** 12.68/24

[⌓33...e5 4.94/21 34.Ke3 Kd6]

34.fxg5 fxg5

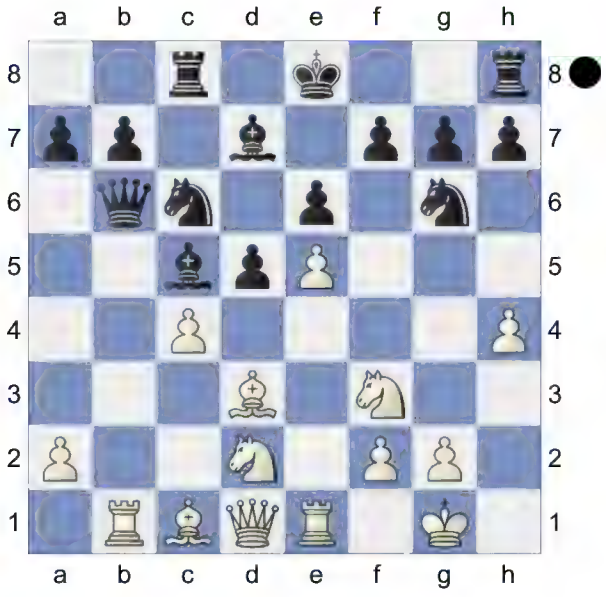
(Diagram)



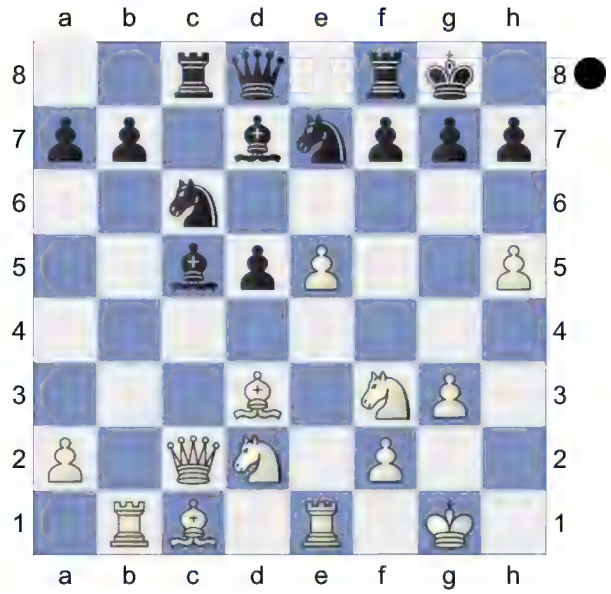
35.Rxd7! Kxd7
[35...gxh4 36.Rh7]
36.hxg5 hxg5 KPP-KPP **37.Kg4** White mates. **37...Kd6 38.Kxg5** KPP-KP **38...Kd5 39.Kf4 Kd4 40.f3 Kd5 41.Ke3 Ke5 42.f4+ Kd5 43.a4 e5 44.f5 e4 45.a5**
[Weaker is 45.Kf4 Kd4 46.Kg3 *(46.f6 e3=)* 46...e3=]
45...Ke5 46.a6 Kxf5 47.a7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/Black=0.49
1-0

112 **C02**
□ **Sergo-Vladivostok** **2592**
■ **HELMUT_LANG** **2667**
Blitz 30.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

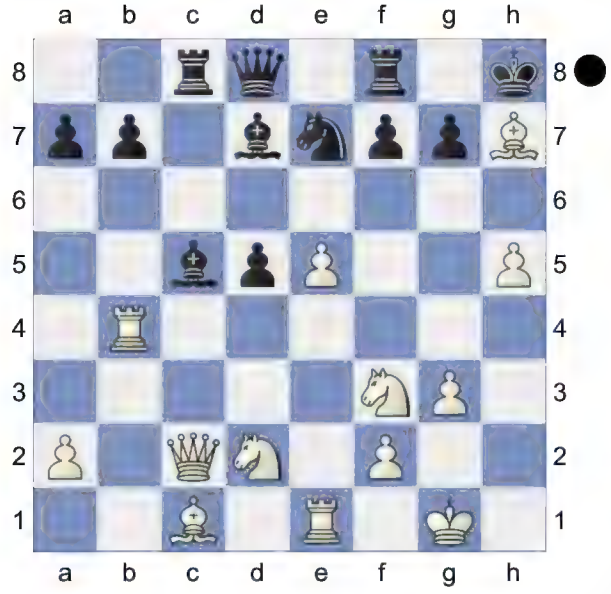
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.h4** -0.39/17
[9.Nbd2= -0.07/17]
9...Nge7 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Ng6N
[11...Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 *(13.Ba3 Nec6 14.Bxf8 Kxf8 15.c4 dxc4 16.Bxc4 Ne7 17.Bd3 Bc6 18.Ne4 Bxe4 19.Bxe4 Nec6 20.Qd3 h6 21.Qc3 Ne7 22.Qe3 Nec6 23.Rec1 Qe7 24.Rc5 Rd8 25.Rbc1 g6 26.Qc3 Qc7 27.h5 g5* Roberson,P (2430)-Sieciechowicz,M (2387) Chess.com INT 2023 0-1 (62)) 13...Nec6 14.Nbd4 Nxd4 15.cxd4 Be7 16.Bg5 Ba3 17.h5 h6 18.Bf4 a6 19.Kh2 b5 20.Nh4 Qc3 21.Bf1 Qc2 22.Qg4 Kf8 23.Qf3 Rc3 24.Be3 Ke8 25.Qg4 Rg8 26.Be2 Luehrig,W (2670)-5. ♘f3 ♕b6 6. ♗e2 cd4 (2559) Monte Carlo 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A] 1-0 (100) Nc4 27.Bxh6 Qe4 28.Qxe4 dxe4 29.Bg5 Bc6 30.Rb3 Rxb3 31.axb3 Na5 32.Bd1 Bd5 33.Bc2 Bb4 34.Re2 Nxb3 35.Bxb3 Bxb3 36.Rb2 Bc3 37.Rxb3 Bxd4 38.Bf4 Bxf2 39.g3 f6 40.Kg2 Bd4 41.Ng6 Luehrig,W (2670)-5.Nf3 Qb6 6. Be2 cd4 (2559) Monte Carlo 2020 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A] 1-0 (100)]
12.c4 -1.14/19
[12.Nb3= 0.08/18]
12...Bc5∓ 13.Rb1



Qd8 0.53/18 &Nero is more active.
[Stronger than 13...Bxf2+ 14.Kf1 Nb4 15.Rxb4 Qxb4 16.Kxf2∓]
[13...Nb4!∓ -1.32/18 14.Kf1 Nf4]
14.cxd5± exd5 15.g3 -0.20/19
[15.Rxb7± 0.71/18 Strongly threatening Nb3. Na5 16.Rb2]
15...0-0= 16.h5 Nge7 17.Qc2? -1.83/20
[17.Rxb7= -0.19/17 Na5 18.Rb1]



17...Nb4!-+ 18.Bxh7+ Kh8 19.Rxb4



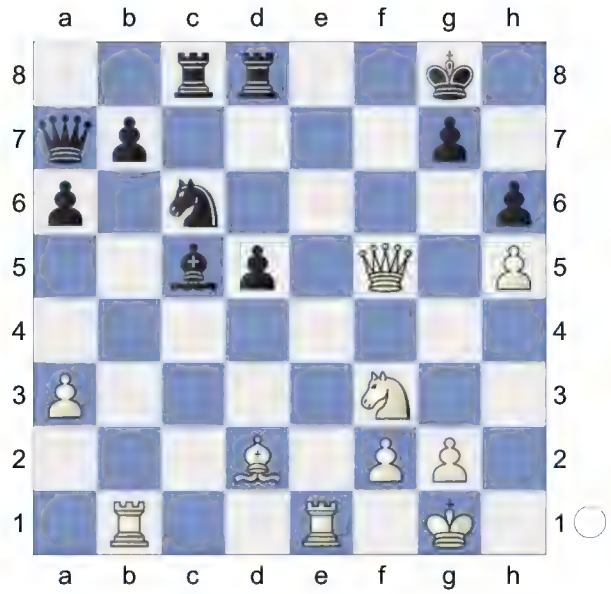
Bxf2+! 0.52/19 **20.Kxf2± Rxc2 21.Bxc2** Black must now prevent Ba3.
21...Qc7 Threatens to win with ...Qc5+.
22.Rb1? -2.80/20 **Qxc2 23.Rxb7** -3.41/21
[23.Ba3 -2.03/18 might work better. Re8 24.Rec1]
23...Qc5+-+ 24.Kg2 Bc6 25.Nb3? -7.93/21
[25.Rb3 -2.21/20 d4 26.Ba3]
25...Qc2+ 26.Re2 Qxe2+ Weighted Error Value: White=1.20/Black=0.38
0-1

113 **C02**
□ **whereismate** **2591**
■ **Baidetskyi,Valentin** **2492**
Blitz 29.06.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.a3** The position is equal. **9...Nge7 10.h4 h6 11.h5**
[11.b4 is interesting. dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nxb4 13.Be3]
11...a6 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nxb4 14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Bd2 Against Qa5 **16...Nf5** 0.85/23
[16...Qc7= 0.01/18 remains equal.]
17.Rab1± Qa7 18.Bxf5 exf5 19.e6 0.06/18
[19.Qf4!± 0.54/21]
19...Bc5N
[19...fxe6 20.Rxe6+ Kf7 21.Rg6 Bc5 22.Bc3 Rhg8 23.Qf4 Ne7 24.Ne5+ Ke8 25.Re6 Rf8 26.Ng6 Rf7 27.Bb4 Kd7 28.Bxc5 Rxc5 29.Qd6+ 1-0 (29) Bochnicka,V (2356)-Jakab,B (2358) Slovakia 2023]
20.exf7+ Kxf7 21.Qf4 Rhd8? 7.38/20
[21...Bxf2+= -0.01/23 22.Kf1 Rhf8 23.Ne5+ Nxe5 24.Qxe5 Kg8

25.Qxd5+ Kh8 26.Rxb7 Qd4 27.Qxd4 Bxd4]

22.Qxf5++- Kg8



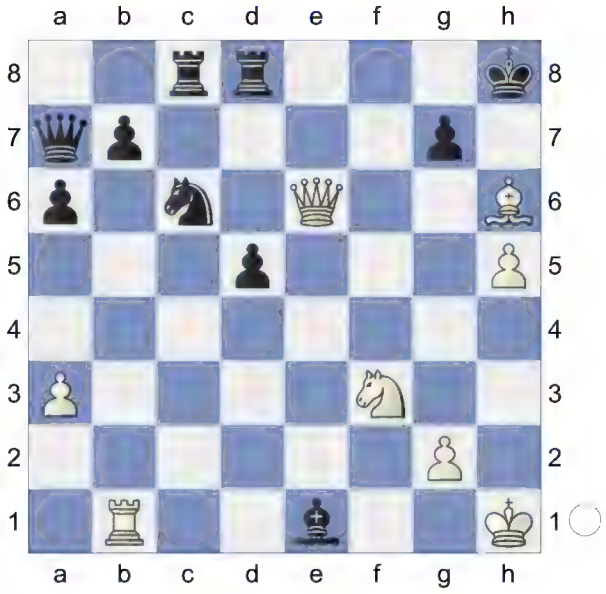
23.Qe6+? 1.81/23

[23.Bxh6! 7.05/23 Intending Ng5! and mate. b5 *(23...Nd4 24.Nxd4)* 24.Ng5! *(24.Be3 Bxe3 25.Rxe3 Qd7±)* 24...Bxf2+ 25.Kh1 gxh6 26.Qe6+ Kg7 27.Qg6+ Kh8 28.Qxh6+ Kg8 29.Re6]

23...Kh8

24.Bxh6! Bxf2+ 25.Kh1 Threatening mate with Bxg7+! **25...Bxe1?** #15/20

[25...b6± 1.52/22]



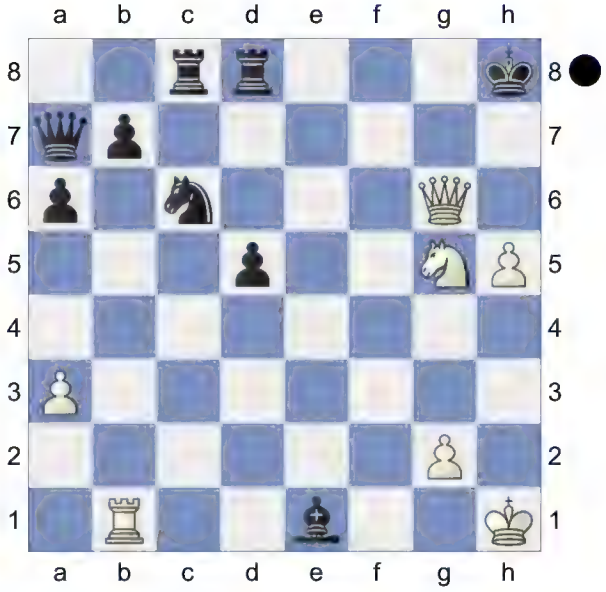
26.Bxg7+! Decoy, Clearance **26...Kxg7**

27.Qg6+? 0.01/18

[27.h6+ #14/19 mates Kf8 28.Rxe1 Rc7 29.Ne5 *(29.Ng5? Qf2-+)* 29...Nxe5 30.Qf6+ Kg8 31.Qxd8+ Kh7 32.Qxc7+ Kxh6 33.Rxe5]

27...Kh8!= ...b5! is the strong threat.

28.Ng5



Rc7 Against Qh7+ **29.Rxe1** -1.00/27

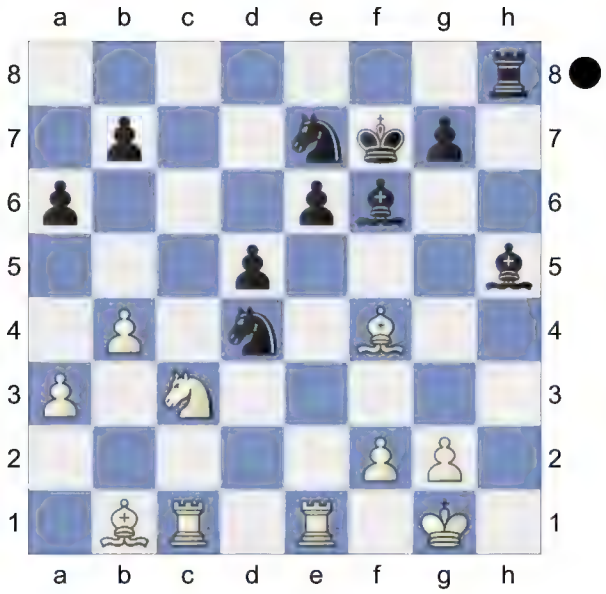
[29.Qf6+= 0.01/25 Kg8 30.Qe6+ Kf8 31.Qf6+ Kg8 32.Qe6+ Kh8 33.Qf6+

Kg8]
[29.Qh6+ Kg8]
29...Rg7 0.01/25
[29...Qf2∓ -1.00/27 30.Re8+ Rxe8 31.Qxe8+ Kg7 32.Ne6+ Kf6 33.Qg6+ *(33.Nxc7?* is the wrong capture. *Qf1+ 34.Kh2 Qf4+ 35.g3 Qxc7-+)* 33...Ke7 34.Nxc7 Qh4+ 35.Kg1 Qe1+ 36.Kh2 Qh4+ 37.Kg1∓ Qd4+ 38.Kh2 *(38.Kh1 Qh4+ 39.Kg1∓)* 38...Qe5+ 39.Qg3 Qxh5+ 40.Kg1 Qd1+ 41.Kh2 Qh5+ 42.Kg1 Qd1+ 43.Kh2 Qh5+]
30.Qh6+ Kg8 Hoping for ...Qf2.
31.Ne6→ Black needs to defend precisely. **31...b5?** 1.68/22
[31...Rg4= 0.01/26 32.Ng5 Rh4+ 33.Nh3 Qf2 34.Qg6+ Kh8 35.Qh6+ Kg8 36.Qg6+ Kh8 37.Qh6+ Kg8]
32.Nxd8+-
[Inferior is 32.Nxg7 Qxg7 33.Qxc6 Qg4=]
32...Nxd8 33.Re8+ Kf7 34.Qe6+ -16.25/5 **Nxe6-+ 35.Rc8 Qf2 36.Rc7+ Nxc7** Black mates. **37.g4 Rxg4 38.h6 Rh4#** Weighted Error Value: White=0.80/ Black=0.62
0-1

114 **C02**
□ **SexDrugsRnR** **2591**
■ **notkevich** **2726**
Blitz 03.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 White has compensation.
8...Nge7 0.41/16
[8...Rc8= 0.02/17]
9.h4!± White is slightly better. **9...Nc8** 0.78/18
[9...h6= 0.11/17 remains equal.]
10.h5 h6 0.89/18
[10...a6± 0.50/18]
11.a3±
[11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Qc7 13.Nb3 Nb6 14.Qe2 Rc8 15.Nfd4 Nc4 16.f4 Be7 17.Rb1 a6 18.Qg4 0-0 19.Qg3 f5 20.Qh3 Na3 21.Bxa3 Bxa3 22.g4 Nxd4 23.cxd4 Bb5 24.Bxb5 axb5 25.Rbd1 Bb4 0-1 (38) Stefansson,V (2500)-Komarov,D (2444) Canadian op Laval 2024 (5)]
11...Be7 1.11/17
[11...dxc3± 0.67/18 feels stronger. 12.Nxc3 Qd8]
12.b4! dxc3N
[12...a6 13.Nxd4 Nxd4 *(13...Bg5 14.Bxg5 hxg5 15.Nxc6 bxc6 16.Qg4 Qd8 17.Nd2 Qe7 18.Nb3 Nb6 19.Na5 Ra7 20.Qe2 c5 21.Bxa6 c4 22.Bb7 0-0 23.Qe3 Qd8 24.Nc6 Qc7 25.Ne7+ Kh7 26.Qxg5 Be8 27.Bxd5 Qxe7 28.Be4+* 0-1 (47) Bruns,K (2157)-Giorgadze,G (2273) Lower Saxony-ch 2025 (5)*)* 14.Be3 Qc7 15.cxd4 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.Qg4 Kf8 18.Ra2 Nb6 19.f4 Nc4 20.Bc1 Bxb4 21.Rd1 23) French Defense: The 'Hect-French Hector Mbg Mainline]
13.Nxc3 0-0? 4.49/18
[13...a6± 0.59/19]
14.Bf4? 0.46/18
[14.Bc2+- 4.49/18]
14...a6? 5.17/17
[14...f6!± 0.46/18]
15.Qd2? 0.48/19
[15.Bc2+- 5.17/17]
15...f5± 16.exf6 Bxf6 1.95/21
[16...Rxf6± 0.68/19 17.Na4 Qa7]
17.Rac1? -0.01/17

[17.Na4!+- 1.95/21 Qd8 18.Rac1]
17...Nd4!= 18.Ne5? -1.69/19
[18.Bb1!= -0.01/21]
18...Be8?? 2.25/17
[18...Bxe5!-+ -1.69/19 avoids the disaster. 19.Bxe5 Nb3]
19.Bb1+- Bxh5? 6.14/19
[19...Ne7 1.99/20]
20.Nd7? 2.45/18
[20.Na4 6.14/19 Qa7 21.Nc5]
20...Qd8 21.Nxf8 1.51/19
[21.Nxf6++- 2.94/21 Qxf6 22.Be5]
21...Qxf8 2.10/21
[21...Kxf8± 1.51/19 22.Qe3 Kg8]
22.Qd3 Ne7 23.Qh7+ 0.51/5
[White should try 23.Bd6+- 1.61/20]
23...Kf7± 24.Bxh6? -2.03/23
White is much more active.
[24.Na4!± 0.85/21 stays on course.]
24...Qh8-+ 25.Qxh8 Rxh8 26.Bf4



Nb3! Excellent horsemanship. **27.Rc2** -2.40/22
[27.Na4 -1.88/21 Nxc1 28.Bxc1]
27...Bg6 28.Na4 Bxc2 29.Bxc2 Nd4 30.Bd3 -2.33/20
[30.Bd1∓ -1.39/18 was necessary.]
30...Nec6 31.Nc5
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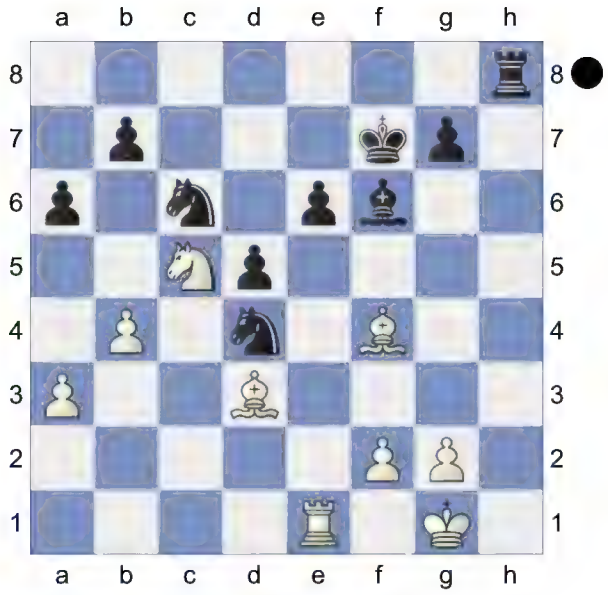


e5! 32.Bd2 -2.52/20
[32.Be3∓ -1.19/20]
32...e4 33.Bb1 Rb8? 0.77/24
[Better is 33...Ke7-+ -2.03/18
Hoping for ...Be5. 34.Be3 Be5]
34.Ba2!± Ne7 35.Nxe4
[Reject 35.Rxe4 Rc8=]
35...Rc8? 7.48/21
[35...Nc2± 0.79/18]
Weighted Error Value: White=1.07/ Black=1.08
36.Nd6+
1-0

115 **C02**
□ **jeromeovich** **2589**
■ **starbox2010** **2648**
Blitz 11.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nbd2 Bc5 10.Rb1**
[10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nf3 Ne7
(11...Bc5 12.b4 Qxb4 13.Rb1 Qa4

14.Qxa4 Bxa4 15.Rxb7 Bb6 16.Ng5 Nh6 17.Ba3 Bd8 18.h4 a6 19.Rc1 Bd7 20.g3 Be7 21.Rcc7 Bxa3 22.Rxd7 0-0 23.Bxh7+ Kh8 24.Bd3 Ng4 25.Rxf7 Nxe5 26.Rxg7 Mason,D (2067)-Dignam,M (2057) Daventry 2023 ½-½ (34) *)* 12.Nxd4 Qxd4 13.Re1 Nc6 14.Be3 Qxe5 15.Bc5 Qg5 16.Qb3 b6 17.Ba3 Nd4 18.Qb4 Nf3+ 19.Kh1 Nxe1 20.Rxe1 Rc8 21.f4 Qh4 22.g3 Qd8 23.Qd6 Rc5 24.f5 Qc7 Neat,P (2374)-Bruce,R (2541) San Sebastian 2011 Telechess CBM 89 [Borg,Geoffrey D] 0-1 (56)]

10...a5N

[10...Bb5 11.b4 Bxd3 12.bxc5 Ne2+ 13.Qxe2 Qxb1 10. 6. Bd3 (the Milner-Barry -New mainline (9. Nbd2) 10. Rb]

11.a3 -0.59/21

[11.Nxd4= -0.15/21 might be stronger. Bxd4 12.Nf3]

11...a4 0.01/20

[11...Bb5∓ -0.59/21 12.Bxb5+ Qxb5]

12.b3 axb3 13.Nxd4 Bxd4 14.Nf3 -0.32/20

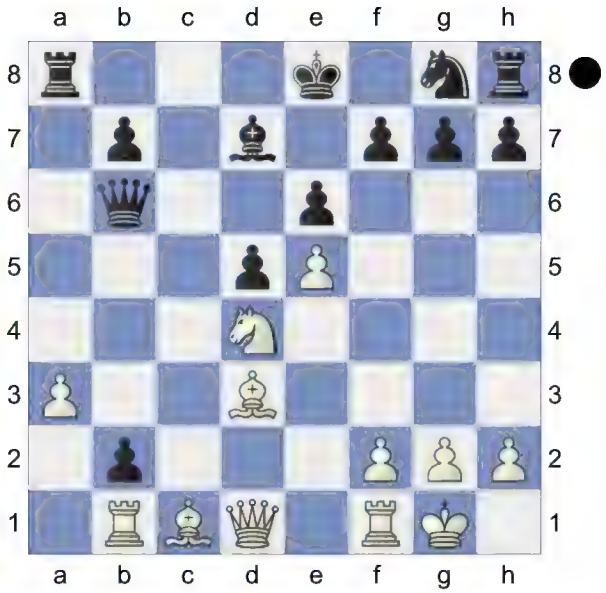
[14.Rxb3= 0.04/21 should be considered. Qc7 15.Nf3]

14...b2

[14...Bc5!? 15.Rxb3 Qa7∓]

15.Nxd4

(Diagram)



Strongly threatening Be3. **15...bxc1Q** 0.08/24 **16.Rxb6=**

[16.Qxc1 looks sharper. Qxd4 17.Rxb7 Rc8 18.Qg5]

16...Qxd1 17.Rxd1 Ra7 2.91/25

[17...Ne7± 0.44/22]

18.Rdb1 Rxa3? 4.54/25

[18...Ne7 2.26/23 19.Bb5 *(19.Rxb7 Rxb7 20.Rxb7 Kd8±)* 19...Ng6]

19.Bb5+- Bxb5? 5.80/24

[19...Ra8 3.36/26 was worth a try. 20.Bxd7+ Kxd7 21.Rxb7+ Ke8]

20.Nxb5 Ra6 21.Nc7+ Kd7 22.Nxa6 bxa6 Endgame KRR-KRN **23.Rc1** Intending Rb7+ and mate. **23...f6 24.f4** Rb7+ would kill now. **24...g5 25.Rb7+ Kd8 26.Ra1** 7.43/24

[⌓26.Rb8+ #4/17 Kd7 27.Rbc8 fxe5 28.fxe5 h6 29.R1c7#]

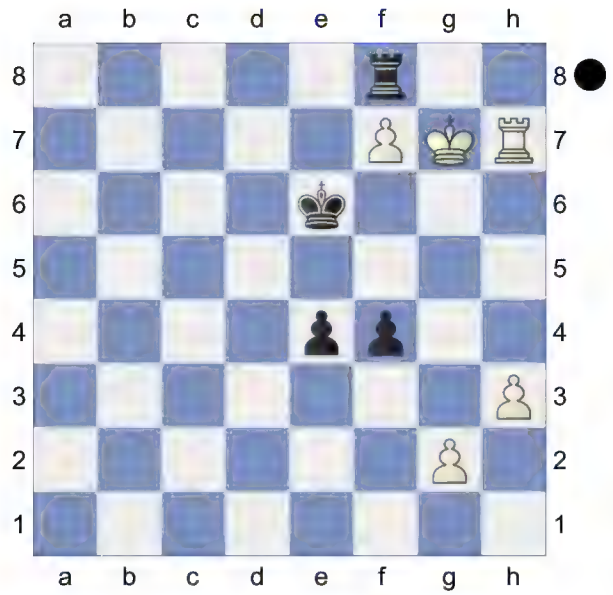
26...Kc8 27.Rf7 gxf4 28.Rxa6 Kb8 Inhibits Ra8+. **29.exf6 Nh6 30.Re7 Rc8 31.Rb6+ Ka8 32.Ra6+?** 0.01/5 **Kb8= 33.h3 Nf5 34.Rb6+ Ka8 35.Ra6+?** 0.01/5

[35.Rbxe6+- 10.20/25 Kb8 36.Re8]

[35.Rexe6]

35...Kb8 36.Rxh7 Ng3 (→ ...Rc1+) **37.Kf2 e5** 8.93/24

[⌓37...Ne4+ 4.07/22 38.Ke2 Nxf6]
38.Kf3 Nf5 39.Rb6+ 4.84/5 **Ka8+-**
40.Ra6+? 0.01/5
[40.Kg4+- 10.16/25]
40...Kb8= ⌓41.f7 10.64/26 **Rf8 42.Rb6+**
[42.Rg6 Nh4+ 43.Rxh4 Rxf7 44.Rd6]
42...Kc8 43.Rf6 Nd4+ 44.Kg4 Kd8 45.Rd6+ Ke7 46.Rxd5 Ke6 47.Ra5 Kf6 48.Kh5 Ne6 49.Ra6 Kf5 50.Rxe6 Kxe6 51.Kg6 -1.68/23
[51.Kg5+- 3.44/26 and life is good for White. e4 52.Kxf4]
51...e4-+ White must now prevent ...e3. Black has strong compensation.
52.Kg7? -#12/23
[52.Rh5-+ -1.64/25 Rxf7 53.Rb5]



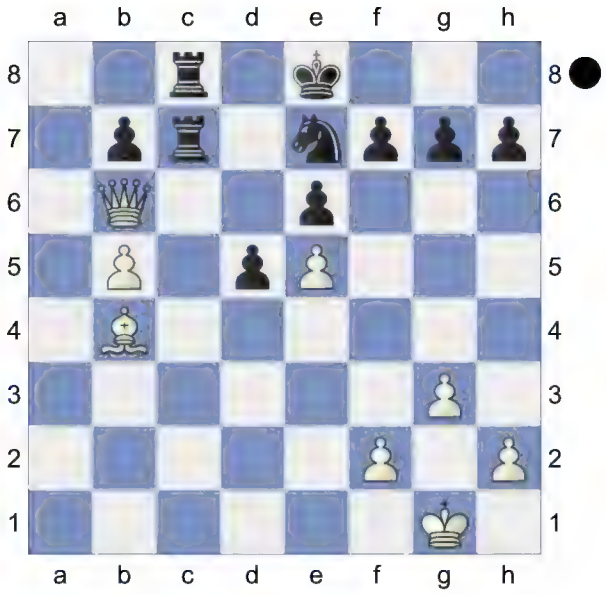
52...Rxf7+ Weighted Error Value: White=1.86/Black=0.90
0-1

116 **C02**
□ **legitimatez** **2586**
■ **Caminero85** **2732**
Blitz 03.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

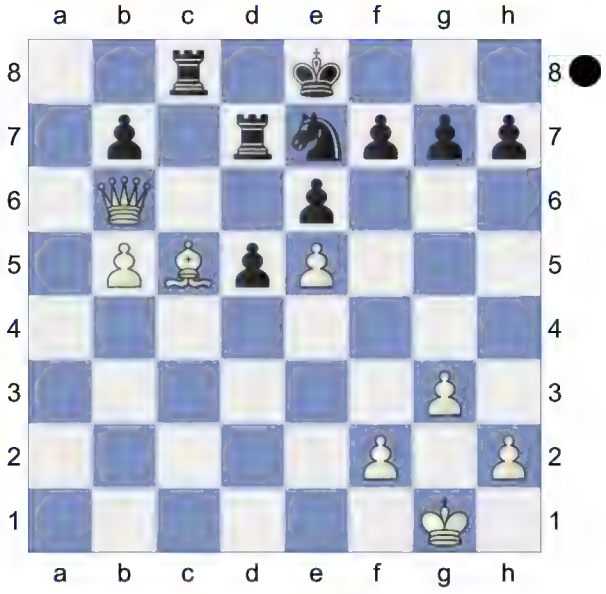
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 a6**
[8...Nge7 9.h4 Rc8 10.a3 a6 11.b4 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nxb4 13.Be3 Qd8 14.axb4 Rxc3 15.Bc5 Nc6 16.Bxf8 Kxf8 17.Qd2 Rb3 18.b5 axb5 19.Qc2 Rb4 20.Qc5+ Qe7 21.Ra8+ Be8 22.Qb6 g6 23.h5 Osmak,I (2449)-Bon,M (2392) Chess.com INT 2023 ½-½ (34)]
9.Nbd2 The position is equal. **9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Bc5 11.Qe2N**
[11.Re2 Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 Nxb3 14.axb3 Bc6 15.Ra2 Rc8 16.Qe2 Nh6 17.h3 Nf5 18.Bf4 0-0 19.Bh2 Qd7 20.Rd2 Qe7 21.Bf4 h6 22.g4 Nh4 23.Nd4 Bxd4 24.cxd4 Ng6 25.Bg3 Qb4 Worch,S (1870)-Shepard,R (2045) Moscow 2023 Inf55 [John Watson] 0-1 (34) 26.Qe3 Bb5 27.Bxb5 axb5 28.Rd3 Rc2 29.f4 Ne7 30.Bh4 Rfc8 31.f5 exf5 32.e6 f6 33.Bxf6 gxf6 34.Qxh6 Qd6 0-1 (34) Ploder,U (1870)-Rosenberger,F (2045) Bad Homburg 2023]
11...Qa7 12.Nb3 White has compensation. **12...Bb6 13.a4 a5** 0.58/21
[13...Nge7= 0.23/17]
14.Ba3 Nge7 15.Nbd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 -0.04/19 **Bxd4** 0.48/22
[Black should try 16...Bc5!= -0.04/19]
17.cxd4± Qxd4 18.Bb5 Strongly threatening Bxd7+. This bishop pair is nice. **18...Bc6 19.Rac1** 0.01/21

[19.Rab1!± 0.72/19]
19...Rc8 1.29/20
[19...Qb6= 0.01/21]
20.Rc2? -0.36/19
[20.Bc5± 1.29/20 Qe4 21.Qb2]
20...Kd7 0.53/17
[Black should play 20...Rc7!∓ -0.36/19]
21.Rec1 -0.17/18
[21.Bc5!± 0.53/17 Qe4 22.Qd2 Qxc2 23.Bxc6+ *(23.Qxc2 Bxb5 24.Rc1 Ba6±)* 23...Rxc6 24.Qxc2]
21...Ng6= 22.Bb2? -1.88/20
[22.Bd6∓ -0.31/19]
22...Qb4-+ ...Nf4 is the strong threat.
23.g3 Bxb5 24.axb5 Ne7 Threatens to win with ...Rxc2. **25.Bc3 Qc4** -0.34/19
[25...Qe4-+ -1.77/20 26.Qxe4 dxe4 27.Bxa5 Rxc2 28.Rxc2 Nd5]
26.Qf3 -1.57/20
[26.Qe3!∓ -0.34/19]
26...Rhf8? -0.01/20
[Not 26...Qxb5 27.Rb2 Qc6 28.Bd2 Qxc1+ 29.Bxc1 Rxc1+ 30.Kg2=]
[Better is 26...Qa4∓ -1.57/20 And now ...Rc4 would win. 27.Qxf7 g6]
27.Bxa5= Qxc2 Chess con chili.
28.Rxc2 Rxc2 29.Qa3 0.01/25
[29.Qe3!± 0.73/22]
29...Rfc8 30.Qd6+ -1.20/5
[30.Bb6= -0.01/21 keeps the balance.]
30...Ke8∓ 31.Bb4 R2c7 Black is clearly better. **32.Qb6**

(Diagram)



Rd7! 33.Bc5 -2.17/21
[33.Bd6∓ -1.58/21 was called for.]

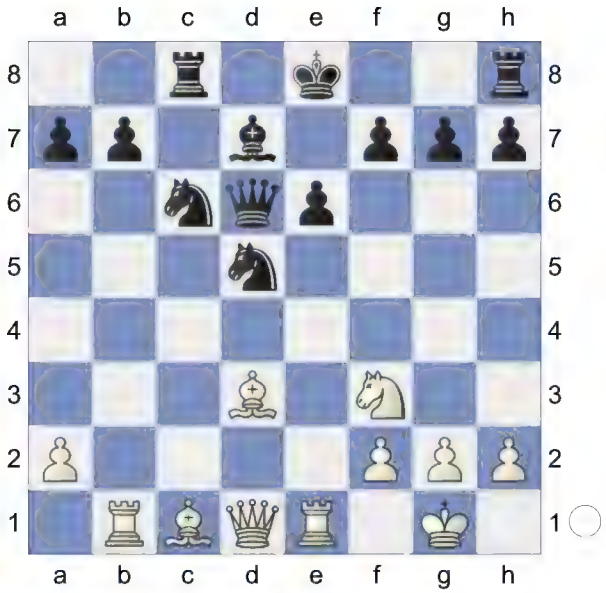


33...Kf8 -1.13/22 Weighted Error Value: White=0.51/Black=0.38
[33...d4!-+ -2.17/21 34.Bd6 Nf5]
0-1

117 **C02**
□ **PlmIgs99** **2585**
■ **vuk00** **2796**
Blitz 07.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.Nbd2** The position is equal. **9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Nge7**
[10...Na5 11.Rb1 Qc7 12.c4 dxc4 13.Bc2 Ne7 14.Ne4 Ng6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qd8 17.Ng5 Rc5 18.Ne4 Rf5 19.g4 Rd5 20.Nf6+ gxf6 21.Qxd5 Ne5 22.Rxe5 fxe5 23.Qxe5 Rg8 24.Bxh7 Qh4 25.Bxg8 Cheparinov,I (2663)-Svane,F (2618) Baku AZE 2023 [John Watson] ½-½]
11.Rb1 Qc7 12.c4 dxc4N 1.59/20
[12...b6= 0.15/17]
[12...Ng6 13.cxd5 exd5 14.Ng5 Nd8 15.e6 Nxe6 16.Qh5 Ngf4 17.Qxf7+ Kd8 18.Ndf3 Nxd3 19.Nxe6+ Bxe6 20.Bg5+ Be7 21.Qxe6 Nxe1 22.Qxd5+ Qd7 23.Bxe7+ Ke8 24.Qh5+ g6 25.Qe5 Nxf3+ 26.gxf3 Kf7 27.Qf6+ Merario Alarcon,A (2401)-Marin,M (2456) San Vicente del Raspeig 2024 [John Watson] ½-½ (32)]
13.Nxc4± Nd5 14.Nd6+ 0.70/17
[14.Ng5± 1.07/20]
14...Bxd6± 15.exd6 Qxd6

(Diagram)



aiming for ...Nc3. **16.Bb2** -0.46/18 Inhibits Nc3.
[16.Rxb7± 0.63/19 Rc7 17.Rxc7 Qxc7 18.Ba3]
16...Nf4 0.01/20
[16...0-0∓ -0.46/18]
17.Be4 -0.72/21
[17.Re3= 0.01/20 remains equal.]
17...Qxd1∓ 18.Rbxd1 f6 Prevents Ne5.
19.Ba3 Nd8 -0.31/20
[Black should try 19...e5∓ -0.99/20]
20.Nd4∓ Black must now prevent g3.
20...Ng6? 4.12/23
[20...Ba4∓ -0.40/19 stays ahead. 21.Rd2 Rc3]

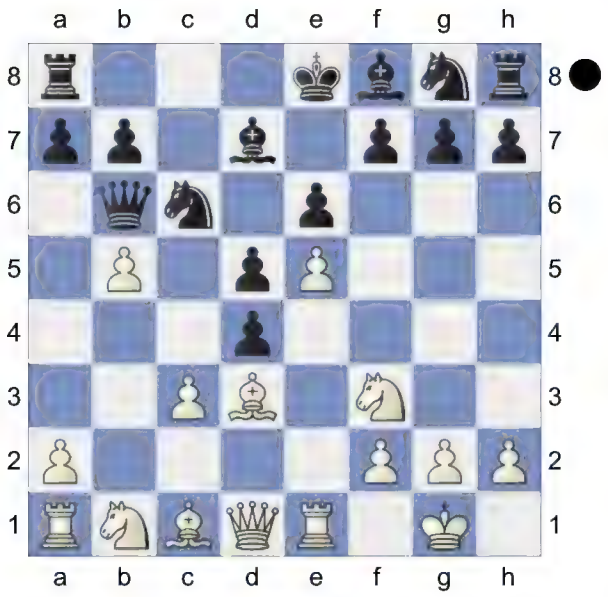
(Diagram)

This move loses the game for Black. **21.Nf5!+- exf5**
[21...Bc6 22.Nd6+]
22.Bc6+ Discovered Attack. A strong pair of Bishops. **22...Kf7 23.Rxd7+ Ne7 24.Rexe7+ Kg6 25.Rxg7+ Kh6 26.Bc1+** White mates. **26...Kh5 27.Bf3+ Kh4 28.g3+ Kh3 29.Bg2#** Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) / Black=1.13
1-0

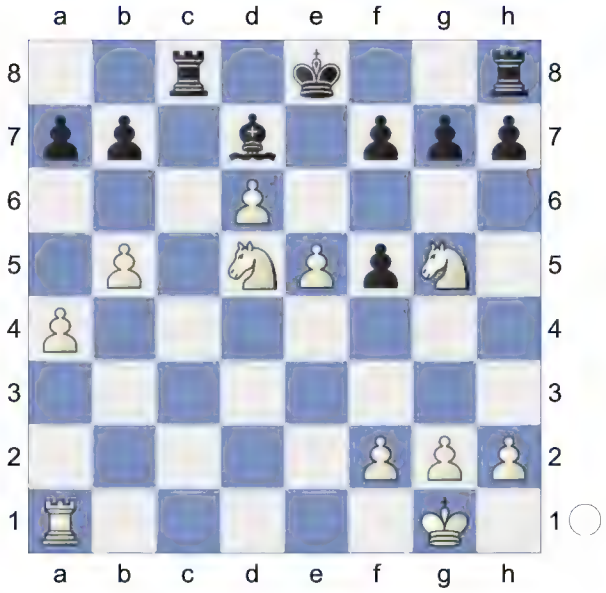
118 **C02**
□ **Greifax** **2584**
■ **beast2020** **2669**
Blitz 13.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Bc5N** 0.64/20
[8...Nge7= -0.03/18 9.h4
A) 9...Rc8 10.a3 a6 11.b4 *(11.Qd2 h6 12.Qf4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Na5 14.Be3 Qd8 15.g4 g6 16.Qf6 Rg8 17.Rad1 Nc4 18.Bc1 Nxa3 19.Nd2 Nb5 20.Bxb5 axb5 21.Nde4 dxe4 22.Nxe4 Nd5 23.Rxd5 Be7 24.Bxh6 Bxf6 25.Nxf6+ Ke7* Schippke,M (1963)-Ivekovic,T (2094) Mati Losinj 2023 ½-½ (48) *)* 11...dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nxb4 13.Be3 Qd8 14.axb4 Rxc3 15.Bc5 Nc6 16.Bxf8 Kxf8 17.Qd2 Rb3 18.b5 axb5 19.Qc2 Rb4 20.Qc5+ Qe7 21.Ra8+ Be8 22.Qb6 g6 23.h5 Kg7 24.Qe3 Osmak,I (2449)-Bon,M (2392) Chess.com INT 2023 ½-½ (34);
B) 9...h6 10.a3 Rc8 11.b4 a6 12.Bb2 g5 13.Nh2 Bg7 14.Ng4 gxh4 15.cxd4 h5 16.Nf6+ Bxf6 17.exf6 Ng8 18.Qf3 Rh6 19.Qxd5 Nxf6 20.Qg5 Ng4 21.Nc3 Qd8 22.Qxd8+ Kxd8 23.Ne4 e5 24.f3 Space advantage: pawn on e5-Vachier Lagrave Ponkratov Riga 2021 [Sipke Ernst] 1-0;
C) 9...a6 10.h5 h6 11.Qe2 f5 12.exf6 gxf6 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Nxd4 Qxd4 15.Be3 Qe5 16.Nd2 Rg8 17.f4 Qd6 18.Qf2 Rc8 19.Rad1 Bc6 20.Bh7 Rg7 21.Ne4 Qc7 22.Bb6 dxe4 23.Bxc7 Rxh7 Frans Millner Barry Improved-N,N _5569 2021 [Robert Ris] (33)]
9.b4± White is slightly better. **9...Bf8 10.b5**

(Diagram)



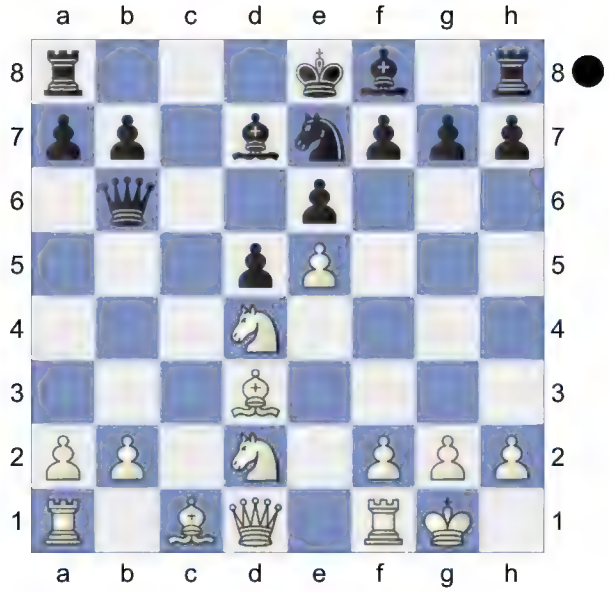
Deflection **10...Na5 11.cxd4** 0.27/19
[11.Nxd4± 0.68/17 Ne7 12.h4]
11...Ne7 0.91/17
[11...Bxb5= 0.27/19 12.Na3 Bxd3 13.Qxd3 Bxa3 14.Bxa3 Nc4]
12.Nc3± Nf5? 3.13/20
[12...Qc7± 0.83/17 13.Bd2 Nc4]
13.Bxf5+- exf5? 5.88/20
[13...Be7 2.98/19 14.Bd3 Qc7]
14.Nxd5 Qd8 15.a4? 2.19/18
[15.Bg5 5.92/19 Qb8 16.Qc1]
15...Be6 16.Nf4 Pair of Knights!
16...Bb4 17.Bd2 Bxd2 18.Qxd2
[Not 18.Nxd2 Qxd4 19.Nxe6 fxe6±]
18...Nb3 19.Qb4 0.94/21
[Much less strong is 19.Nxe6?! Nxd2 20.Nxd8 Nxf3+ 21.gxf3 Rxd8±]
[19.Qb2+- 1.99/20 and White stays clearly on top. Nxa1 20.d5 Bxd5 21.Rd1]
19...Nxa1± 20.Rxa1 aiming for d5!
20...Qe7 1.62/21
[20...Bd5± 0.98/20 is a better defense.]
21.Qxe7+ Kxe7 22.d5 Bd7 23.d6+ White has strong compensation.
23...Kd8 24.Ng5↑ White is pushing.
24...Ke8 1.51/20
[Black should play 24...Be8!± 0.69/21]
25.Nd5 0x0.00175a7b6234dp-1022s more active pieces. The black rooks are badly placed. **25...Rc8**



26.Nc7+! Kf8 2.74/21
[⌓26...Rxc7 1.68/22 27.dxc7 Ke7]
27.h4 h6 28.Nf3 g6 29.a5 Kg7 30.a6 bxa6 31.Rxa6 Rb8 32.Rxa7 e6 is the strong threat. **32...Bxb5 33.Nxb5?** 0.90/20
[33.Ne6++- 3.99/21 Kg8 34.Ned4]
33...Rxb5+- Endgame KRR-KRN **34.e6 Rd5?** 16.87/22
[34...Kf6± 1.17/21]
35.Rxf7+ Kg8 36.d7 Intending Ne5! and mate. **36...Rd6 37.Ne5** White mates. **37...Rh7 38.Rxh7 Kxh7 39.e7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.57/ Black=0.72
1-0

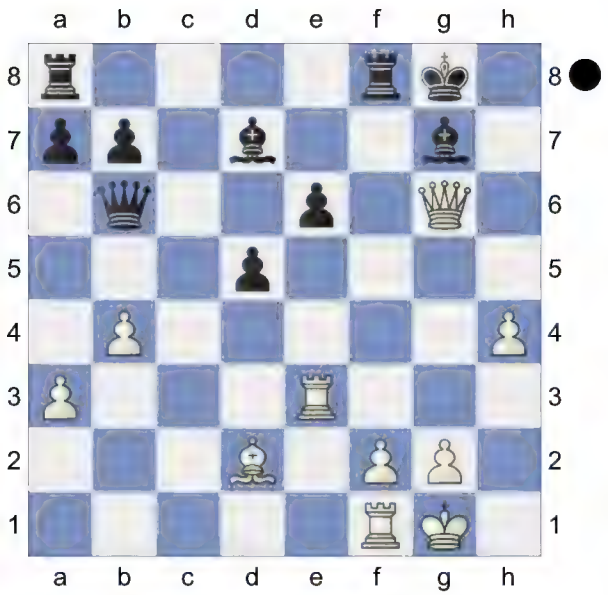
119 **C02**
□ **jeromeovich** **2584**
■ **notkevich** **2766**
Blitz 10.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation White uses the Milner-Barry to upset a higher-rated opponent. **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.Nxd4**



Remove Defender **10...Qxd4 11.Nf3 Qa4** The position is equal. **12.Qe2**
[12.b3 Qa5 13.Bd2 Qd8 14.Ng5 *(14.Rc1 Nc6 15.Bb1 Ba3 16.Rc3 Bb4 17.Bg5 Qa5 18.Rd3 h6 19.Bc1 0-0-0 20.Bb2 g5 21.Qc1 Kb8 22.a3 Be7 23.b4 Qb6 24.Qd1 g4 25.Nd2 h5 26.Nb3 Rdg8 27.Qe2 h4 28.Bc1 g3* Gitelson,A (2207)-Sabirov,T (2019) Cheliabinsk 2023 0-1 (39))
14...Nc6 15.f4 g6 16.a3 Be7 17.Kh1 Nxe5 18.Bc3 Bf6 19.Bxe5 Bxe5 20.Nxf7 Kxf7 21.fxe5+ Kg7 22.Qg4 Rf8 23.h4 Qe7 24.h5 Rxf1+ 25.Rxf1 Rf8 26.Rxf8 Kxf8 Tsamriuk,A (2516)-7...cxd4 8.Nxd4 Bc5 9.N2b3!? (2522) Erfurt 2016 HCL 33 [Fleetwood,D] 0-1 (63)]
12...Nc6 13.b3 Qa5 14.a3 Be7N
[14...Bc5 15.Bb2 Qb6 16.b4 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Rac1 Ke7 19.Qd2 f6 20.exf6+ Bxf6 21.Rfe1 Qd6 22.Ng5 Be5 23.Nf3 Bf4 24.Qb2 Kf7 25.Rcd1 Rae8 26.g3 Bh6 27.Ne5+ Ke7 28.Qd4 Bg5 29.Nxd7 Compton,A (2061)-Rozycki,B (2231) Olympia Conference Centre, Lo 2015 [John Watson] 1-0 Kxd7 30.Bb5+ 1-0 (30) Donaldson,J (2061)-8.00 d5 (2231) Malmoe/Kobenhavn 90/458 2015 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A]]
15.Bd2 Qb6 16.b4 0-0 -0.02/18
[16...a5∓ -0.36/19]
17.h4 -0.41/21
[17.Be3= -0.02/18 should be considered. Qc7 18.Rac1]
17...f6 0.30/19
[17...Nd4∓ -0.41/21 18.Nxd4 Qxd4]
18.Rae1 -0.86/23
[18.Be3= 0.30/19 remains equal. Qd8 19.exf6 Bxf6 20.Rad1]
18...fxe5 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.Qxe5 Bf6 21.Qh5 -0.81/22
[21.Qg3∓ -0.43/21]
21...g6∓ 22.Bxg6 -1.90/23 **hxg6-+ 23.Qxg6+ Bg7** And now ...e5! would win.
[23...Kh8 24.Bf4 Bd4 25.Be5+ Bxe5 26.Rxe5+-]
24.Re3 -3.10/22
[24.Be3∓ -1.54/20 Qd8 25.Bd4]

(Diagram)



Against e5. White does not recover from this. **24...e5 25.Qg5 Qf6 26.Qh5 Qf5 27.Qe2 Qg4 28.Rg3?** -16.26/22
[28.Qxg4 -2.77/23 Bxg4 29.Rg3]
28...Qxe2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.72/Black=0.16 (very precise)
0-1

120 **C02**
□ **ludusTrash** **2583**
■ **ViejoTortuga** **2717**
Blitz 12.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 White has compensation. **8...Rc8 9.h4** -0.57/19
[9.Nbd2!± 0.37/20]
9...Nge7 0.41/22
[9...Nh6!∓ -0.57/19]
10.a4N -0.19/23
[Better is 10.h5± 0.41/22 h6 11.Na3 *(11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Ba3 Qxc3 15.Nb3 Nc4 16.Rc1 Nxa3 17.Rxc3 Rxc3 18.Qd2 Rc8 19.Rc1 Nc4 20.Qb4 b5 21.Nbd4 Nc6 22.Qb3 Nxd4 23.Nxd4 a6 24.a4 Bc5 25.Nf3 0-0* 1-0 (39) SexDrugsRnR (2597)-chess_with_style (2615) Blitz 2024*; 11.Qe2 Nf5 12.Nbd2 dxc3 13.bxc3 Ng3 14.Qd1 Bc5 15.Re2 Nxe2+ 16.Qxe2 0-0 17.Nb3 Be7 18.Bf4 Na5 19.Be3 Qd8 20.Bd4 Nc4 21.Re1 a6 22.Nh2 Bb5 23.f4 Na3 24.Ng4 Bxd3 25.Qxd3 Nb5* 1-0 (68) benkonian (2611)-educacion23 (2471) Rapid 2023*)* 11...Nf5 12.g4 Nfe7 13.Nb5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Bxb5 15.Qf3 f6 16.Bg6+ Nxg6 17.Nxg6 Rg8 18.Bxh6 gxh6 19.Qxf6 Bd7 20.Re5 dxc3 21.Rae1 c2 22.Nxf8 Rxf8 23.Rxe6+ Qxe6 24.Rxe6+ Bxe6 25.Qxe6+ ½-½ (27) Richter,S (2323)-Celerier,E (2321) (Game 34) Gibraltar 2007 (6)]
[10.Nbd2 Nf5 11.Nb3 *(11.c4 dxc4 12.Nxc4 Qc7 13.Bf4 Nfe7 14.Nd6+ Kd8 15.Nxf7+ Ke8 16.Nxh8 Nd5 17.Bg5 Be7 18.Bxh7 Qb6 19.Qd3 Kd8 20.Nf7+ Kc7 21.Nd6 Rf8 22.Rac1 Kb8 23.Bxe7 Ncxe7 24.Be4 Rh8 25.Qxd4 Qxd4* 1-0 (34) Kiolbasa,O (2394)-Boryna,S (1440) Warsaw Maciei Memorial blitz 2023 (1) *)* 11...dxc3 12.bxc3 Be7 13.h5 h6 14.Rb1 Qd8 15.Qe2 0-0 16.Bc2 b6 17.g3 Re8 18.g4 Nh4 19.Nxh4 Bxh4 20.Qd3 f5 21.Re2 Kh8 22.f4 Rf8 23.Rg2 Be7 24.Qg3 Rf7 0-1 (91) RaspFish (2843)-mayhem23111 (2931) Blitz 2023]
10...a6 11.h5 h6 12.Na3 -0.39/24
[12.a5= 0.01/21 Qc7 13.Nxd4 *(13.cxd4 Nb4=)*]
12...Nf5 0.01/24
[12...dxc3∓ -0.39/24 13.bxc3 Na5]

13.Bxf5 exf5 14.Nc2 dxc3 15.bxc3 Be7 0.18/23
[15...Be6∓ -0.57/23]
16.Ne3= Be6 0.43/24
[16...Bc5= 0.07/24 feels stronger.]
17.Nxd5± Bxd5 1.08/18
[17...Qd8= 0.12/23 18.Nxe7 Qxd1 19.Rxd1 Nxe7]
18.Qxd5± Nd8 2.77/22
[18...0-0± 0.91/21]
19.Be3? 0.54/24
[19.Nd4+- 2.77/22]
19...Qc6 1.34/23
[19...Qe6± 0.54/24 20.Qd3 Nc6]

20.Qxc6+! Rxc6? 2.63/23
[20...Nxc6± 1.10/22 might work better. 21.Rab1 Nd8]
21.Rec1? 0.24/24
[White has to play 21.Nd4+- 2.63/23]
21...g6 1.14/22
[21...Bg5= 0.24/24 remains equal.]
22.Nd4 0.69/21
[22.Rab1± 1.14/22]
22...Rc4± 23.a5 Kd7 24.Rd1 Kc8 25.Rac1 0.22/23
[25.g3± 1.02/23]
25...Ne6? 7.40/21
[25...Rc5= 0.22/23]
26.Nxe6? 0.40/22
[26.hxg6+- 7.40/21 f4 27.gxf7]
26...fxe6 27.hxg6 Rg8! 28.Rd4 0.35/25
[28.Bxh6 Rxg6 29.Rd4 Rc6±]
[28.Bb6± 0.81/28 And now Rd4 would win. Bc5 29.Rd3 *(29.Bxc5 Rxc5 30.Rd6 Rxe5=)*]
28...Rc5? 2.61/25
[Black should play 28...Rc7!± 0.35/25]

29.Bxh6? -0.01/25
[29.Rcd1!+- 2.61/25]
29...Rxg6= 30.Be3 Rxa5 31.Rc4+ Kd7 32.Rd1+ -0.54/27
[32.Bb6= -0.01/25 Rxe5 33.Rc7+ Ke8 34.Rxb7]
32...Rd5∓ 33.Rb1 -2.38/32
[33.Rcd4= -0.25/27 and White has nothing to worry.]
33...b5-+
[33...Rxe5? 34.Rxb7+ Kd8 35.Bb6+ Ke8 36.Rc8+ Kf7 37.Rcc7+-]
34.Rf4 -3.73/25
[34.Rd4 -2.11/27 was forced. Rxd4 35.cxd4]
34...Rxe5? -1.08/24
[34...Bg5-+ -3.73/25 and Black stays

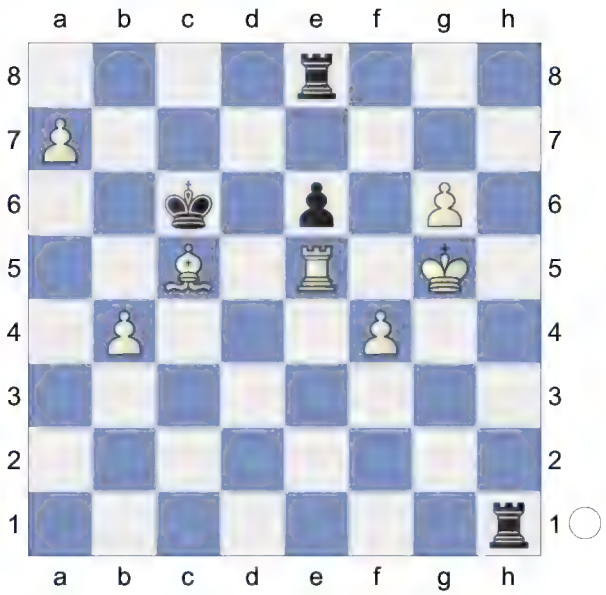
clearly on top. 35.Rf3 Bxe3 *(35...Rxe5 36.Rg3=)* 36.Rxe3 Kc6] **35.c4?** -5.02/23 [35.Ra1∓ -1.08/24 is more resistant.] **35...b4 36.Rd4+ Kc6 37.Rbd1 Bc5 38.R4d3 Bxe3 39.fxe3** Endgame KRR-KRR. Black is a pawn up. **39...Kc5 40.Kf2 Kxc4 41.Rd4+ Kb5 42.Rd8 a5 43.Rb8+ Ka4 44.Ra1+ Kb3 45.Rb1+ Kc2 46.Ra1 Rd5 47.Ra2+ Kd3 48.g4 fxg4 49.Ra1 Ke4 50.Kg3 Rf6 51.Kxg4 Rg6+ 52.Kh4 Rd7 53.Rh8** Wards off Rh7+ **53...Ra7 54.Rh5 e5 55.Kh3 b3 56.Rh4+ Kd3 57.Rd1+ Ke2 58.Rb1 a4** and ...a3! would now be decisive [58...Kxe3 59.Rxb3+ Ke2 60.Rb5∓] **59.e4 Kf3** -13.95/21 [⌓59...Rag7 -30.38/25 60.Rh8 Rg3+ 61.Kh2 a3] **60.Kh2 Rg2+ 61.Kh1 Rag7 62.Rh3+ Ke2** -8.09/32 [⌓62...R2g3 -19.80/20 63.Rh2 Rb7 *(63...Kxe4? 64.Re1+ Kf5 65.Ra1-+)*] **63.Rb2+ Kd1 64.Rxg2 Rxg2 65.Kxg2** KR-K3P **65...a3??** 10.22/21 [65...b2-+ -20.00/20 66.Rh1+ Kc2] **66.Rh5??** -34.10/23 [66.Rxb3+- 10.22/21 a2 67.Ra3] **66...b2** (-> ...a2) **67.Rxe5 b1Q** KQ-KR [Stronger than 67...b1B 68.Ra5 Bxe4+ 69.Kf1=] **68.Rd5+ Ke2 69.Re5 Qd3** -16.29/19 [⌓69...Qf1+ -#8/18 70.Kg3 Qf3+ 71.Kh4 Qf4+ 72.Kh5 Qxe5+ 73.Kg6 a2 *(73...Qxe4+* is a self mate. *74.Kh6 a2 75.Kg5 a1Q 76.Kh5 Qh8+ 77.Kg5 Qhh4#)* 74.Kh6 a1Q *(74...a1B 75.Kg6 Qe6+ 76.Kh5 Bg7 77.e5 Kf3 78.Kh4 Qh6#)* 75.Kg6 Qg1+ 76.Kh7 Qh5#] **70.Rf5 Qxe4+ 71.Kg3 Qxf5 72.Kh4 a2** Black mates. **73.Kg3 a1Q 74.Kh4 Qh8+ 75.Kg3** What a bad dream for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.96/ Black=0.70 **75...Qhh3# 0-1**

121 **C02**
□ **unknown2011** **2578**
■ **FourPlayingCards** **2754**
Rapid 22.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.Be2 Nh6 9.Nc3 Nf5 10.Na4 Bb4+N** The position is equal. [10...Qa5+ 11.Nc3 Bb4 12.Qd3 Qb6 13.a3 Be7 14.Be3 Qxb2 15.0-0 Qb6 16.Rfb1 Qc7 17.Nb5 Qd8 18.g4 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 0-0 20.Bd3 f6 21.exf6 Bxf6 22.Kh1 Na5 23.g5 Be7 24.Nc3 Rc8 25.Ne2 Noetzel,T (2055)-Pavlovic,B (2050) Leon 2023 Inf11 [John Watson] 1-0 (44)] **11.Kf1! Qc7** 0.70/20 [11...Qd8= 0.25/21] **12.a3** [12.g4 feels hotter. Nfxd4 13.Nxd4 Qxe5 14.Be3] **12...Be7 13.g4 Nh4 14.Nxh4 Bxh4 15.g5 0-0-0 16.Rg1** Strongly threatening Rg4. **16...h6 17.gxh6 gxh6 18.b4 f6 19.Rg4 Bg5 20.h4 h5** 0.77/20 **21.Rxg5±** [21.hxg5? hxg4 22.Kg2 fxe5 23.Bxg4 e4-+] **21...fxg5 22.hxg5** 0.05/18 [22.Bxg5± 1.13/18 Black must now prevent Rc1. a6 23.Rc1 *(23.Bxh5 Nxd4 24.Qxd4 Bxa4±; 23.Bxd8?*

Qxd8 24.Qd3 Qxh4-+)]
22...Nxd4 23.Qxd4 Bxa4 24.Be3! Bb3 1.45/21 White now steadily converts the win.
[24...Qb6= 0.23/20 remains equal.]
25.Rc1↑ White is in control. **25...Bc4 26.Qxa7**

And now Bxc4 would win. **26...Kd7 27.Kg1**
[Reject 27.Bxc4?! dxc4 28.Qd4+ Ke8 29.Rxc4 Rxd4=]
27...Qxe5 2.18/21
[27...Ke8± 1.33/17]
28.Qxb7++-
[Much less strong is 28.Bxc4?! dxc4 29.Qxb7+ Ke8±]
28...Qc7 29.Qxc7+ Kxc7 30.Bxc4 dxc4 31.Rxc4+ Endgame KRR-KRB **31...Kb7 32.a4 Rd5 33.Kg2 Re5?** 4.23/23
[33...Rg8 2.02/19 34.a5 Rd3]
34.Kh3 Rd5 35.a5 Rb5 5.18/20
[35...Rg8 3.65/18 was necessary. 36.Kh4 Rd1 37.Kxh5 Rh1+ 38.Kg4 Rgh8]
36.Re4 Kc7 37.Bc5 Kd7 38.Kh4 Rbb8 39.a6 Rbe8 40.a7 Kc6 41.f4 Kd5 42.Re5+ Kc6 43.g6 Rhg8 44.Kxh5 Rh8+ 45.Kg5 Rh1



46.Rxe6+!! White mates. **46...Kd7**
[46...Rxe6 47.a8Q+]
47.Rxe8 Rd1 48.a8Q Kc7 49.Qc8#
Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.61
1-0

122 **C02**
□ **VladislavKrasikov_FM** **2573**
■ **Egor_Pakhomov** **2695**
Blitz 16.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 dxc3 8.Nxc3 Nge7N**
[8...a6 9.Be3 Qc7 10.Rc1 b5 11.Nd4 Bd7 12.Qd2 Qb7 13.f4 Rc8 14.Nxc6 Rxc6 15.Ne2 Nh6 16.h3 Be7 17.Nd4 Rxc1 18.Rxc1 0-0 19.g4 f6 20.exf6 Bxf6 21.Nf3 d4 22.Nxd4 Bxd4 23.Bxd4 Frost,N (1774)-Mai,A (2141) Reykjavik 2023 0-1 (42) Qf3 24.Qe3 Qxf4 25.Qxf4 Rxf4 26.Be5 Rf7 27.Rc7 a5

28.Rb7 Bc8 29.Rb8 Rf8 30.Bxb5 Nf7 31.Bc7 g5 32.Bxa5 Ne5 33.Bb4 Rd8 34.Be7 Rd1+ 35.Kf2 Rc1 36.Bf6 Ng6 37.Bc3 Rc2+ 38.Ke3 Roos,M (2143)-Kolker,B (1381) Baden-Baden 2023 Steinitz/ Blackburne [John Watson] 1-0 (42)]

[8...Bd7 9.Be3 Qd8 10.Rc1 *(10.h4 Nge7 11.h5 h6 12.Rc1 g5 13.hxg6 Nxg6 14.Bxg6 fxg6 15.Nb5 a6 16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 0-0 18.Bxh6 Rf5 19.g4 Rxf3 20.Qxf3 Nd4 21.Qe3 e5 22.Kg2 Qf6 23.f3 Qxd6 24.Bf4 Nc6* Marciniak,M (2245)-Schaller,T (2091) Linares 2023 CT-1677 [John Watson] 1-0 (31)) 10...Nge7 11.Bg5 Qb8 12.Re1 Ng6 13.Bxg6 hxg6 14.a3 1-0 (14) Tymrakiewicz,R (2225)-Seifert,H (2148) Chess.com INT 2021 CBM 211 [Braun, Christian]]

9.Be3 White has compensation. White is slightly better. **9...Qd8**

[9...Qxb2? 10.Nb5 Kd7 11.a3+-]

10.Bg5 Threatens to win with Nb5. **10...a6** Prevents Nb5. **11.Rc1 h6 12.Bh4 g5 13.Bg3 Bg7 14.Re1** -0.68/17

[14.h3= -0.01/18]

14...Ng6 0.64/18

[14...Nf5!∓ -0.68/17 15.Bxf5 exf5]

15.Bxg6± &Bianco is more active. **15...fxg6 16.Qd3** 0.14/19

[16.h4± 0.57/18 was preferrable.]

16...Ne7= 17.Na4 0-0 18.Nc5 -0.33/18

[18.Nd4= 0.00/16 might be stronger.]

18...b6∓ 19.Nb3 Nf5 Against h4 **20.Nbd4 Bd7** Against Rc6 **21.h3 Qb8 22.Bh2** -0.37/17

[22.Nxf5= -0.05/17 gxf5 23.h4]

22...Rc8 23.Rcd1 b5 24.Nxf5 gxf5 25.Nd4 Qb6 26.g4 f4 27.Qg6 Be8! 28.Qxe6+ Qxe6 29.Nxe6 Bh8 0.27/19

[29...Rc2∓ -0.34/19]

30.Nd4= Rc4 0.92/19

[30...Bg6= 0.21/18 remains equal.]

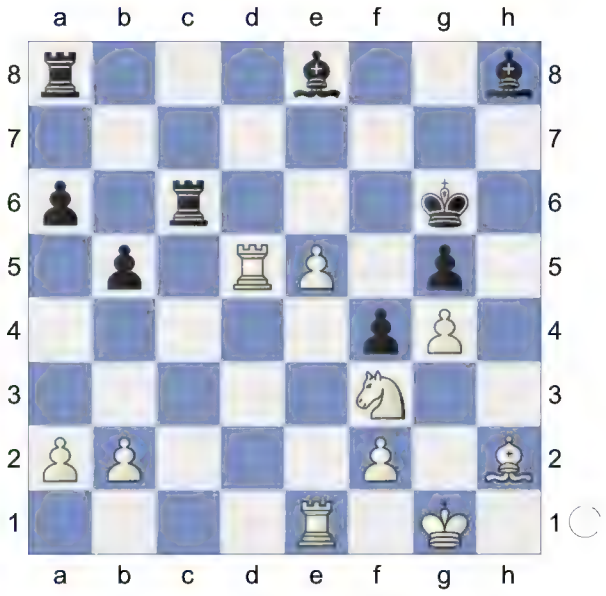
31.h4 0.27/19

[White should play 31.b3!± 0.92/19 Rc3 32.h4]

31...Kh7 1.28/19

[31...Bg6= 0.27/19 keeps the balance.]

32.hxg5!± hxg5 33.Nf3! Kg6 34.Rxd5 aiming for Rd6+. **34...Rc6**

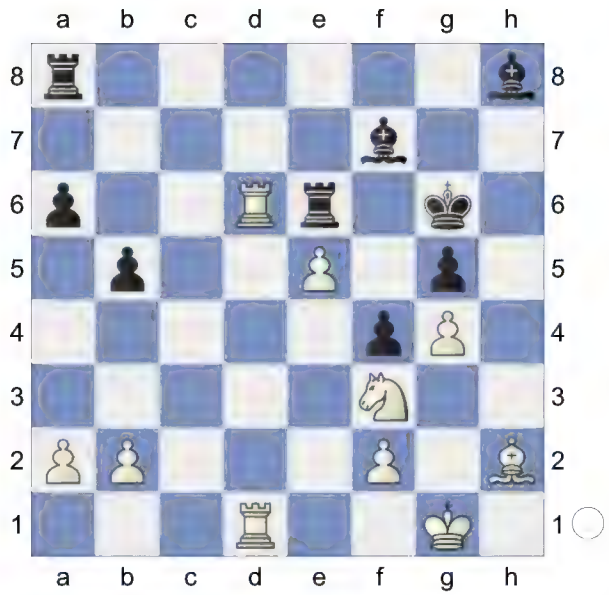


35.Red1!↑ And now Rd6+ would win. White is really pushing. **35...Re6** 2.59/21

[35...Kh6± 1.23/20 keeps fighting. 36.Nd4 Rb6]

36.Rd6+- Bf7

(Diagram)



37.Rxe6+ Bxe6 38.Rd6 Re8 39.Rxa6 b4? 3.89/21
[39...Bg7 2.27/20 40.b4 Bh6]
40.a3 bxa3 41.bxa3 Bg7 42.Kg2 Bf8 43.Nd4 Kf7 44.Nxe6 Rxe6 45.Rxe6 Kxe6 Endgame KB-KB **46.a4 Kxe5 47.f3 Kd4 48.Kf2?** 0.00/30
[White has to play 48.Bg1++- 7.45/29 Kd5 49.Bb6]
48...Kd3 49.Kf1 Kc4 50.Ke2 Hoping for Bg1. **50...Bb4** 0.59/35
[50...Bc5= 0.00/28]
51.Bg1± Kb3? 10.13/30
[51...Ba5 1.97/30 52.Bf2 Kb4]
52.Kd3 4.10/26
[⌓52.Bd4 10.13/30 Kxa4 53.Bf6]
52...Kxa4+- 53.Ke4? 0.01/32
[53.Bb6+- 9.85/32 Be7 54.Kc4]
53...Kb3? 9.62/30
[53...Be7= 0.01/32]
54.Bd4? 0.01/29
[Better is 54.Bb6+- 9.62/30 Be7 55.Kd5]
54...Be7!= 55.Kf5 Kc4 56.Bf6 Bc5 15.02/26
[56...Bxf6= 0.00/22 57.Kxf6 Kd4]
57.Bxg5+- White is clearly winning.
57...Kd3 58.Bxf4 Ke2 59.Ke4

Weighted Error Value: White=0.60/ Black=0.37
1-0

123 **C02**
□ **Zhigalko,Sergei** **2572**
■ **Hovakimyan,Vache** **2299**
Titled Tue 21. Jan Early (2) 21.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 e6 4.d4 d5 5.e5 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 White has compensation. **8...Rc8** 0.48/18
[8...Nh6= -0.01/18]
9.a3 -0.01/18
[9.Nbd2!± 0.48/18]
9...Nge7= 10.h4 a6
[10...Nf5 11.Bxf5 exf5 12.cxd4 h6 13.Nc3 Be6 14.b4 Be7 15.Ne2 0-0 16.Rb1 a5 17.b5 Nb8 18.a4 Rc4 19.Bd2 Rfc8 20.h5 Nd7 21.Nf4 Rc2 22.Rc1 Rxc1 23.Bxc1 Qc7 24.Bd2 b6 25.Qa1 1-0 (63) Molt7n (2821)-matikoza (2744) Blitz 2022]
[10...h6 11.h5 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Nb3 14.Be3 d4 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Qa5 17.b4 Qd8 18.Nb5 Nc6 19.Bxa7 Be7 20.Bc5 0-0 21.Nd6 Rb8 22.b5 Na5 23.Qg4 b6 24.Qe4 g6 25.hxg6 1-0 (29) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Hayrapetyan,E (2137) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early blitz 2025 (4)]
11.h5 g6 0.40/18
[11...h6= -0.01/19]
12.b4 -0.23/17
[12.Nbd2!± 0.40/18]
12...gxh5N
[12...dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nd4 14.Be3 Nxf3+ 15.Qxf3 Qd8 16.Rac1 Nc6

17.Qg3 Bg7 18.Bg5 Qb6 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.Nxd5 Qa7 21.Nf6+ Bxf6 22.Bxf6 Rg8 23.Qh4 Qd4 24.Rxc6 Qxd3 25.Rd6 Qf5 26.Red1 Rc7 27.Qd4 0-1 (29) Fernandez Muixi,F (1920)-Bilych,O (2433) El Vendrell op 3rd rapid 2023 (2)]

13.Nxd4 Nxd4 14.Be3! Pin **14...Ng6 15.Bxd4** -0.43/21

[15.cxd4= 0.24/19 h4 16.Nd2]

15...Qc7 0.34/20

[15...Qd8!∓ -0.43/21]

16.Qxh5 and g3 should not be overlooked **16...Nf4 17.Qf3 Nxd3 18.Qxd3 Bb5** 0.74/18

[18...Qd8= -0.01/20]

19.Qh3 0.16/19

[19.Qd1± 0.74/18]

19...Be7 1.21/19

[19...Qc6= 0.16/19]

20.Nd2 0.20/17

[20.a4± 1.21/19 Bc4 21.Nd2]

20...Kd7? 1.72/20

[20...Qc6!= 0.20/17]

21.a4+- Bc4 22.Re3 0.53/19

[22.b5+- 1.82/19]

22...Rcg8 1.01/20

[22...h5± 0.53/19]

23.Rf3 Rg7 1.11/20

[23...Ke8± 0.67/20 deserves consideration.]

24.Nf1 -0.01/20

[24.Re1± 1.11/20]

24...Bxf1 25.Rxf1 h5 0.76/24

[25...Qc4!= 0.08/20]

26.Rg3!± Rgh7 1.16/19

[26...Rxg3± 0.42/20 27.Qxg3 *(27.fxg3 Rh7±)* 27...Rf8]

27.Re1 0.01/21

[27.f4!± 1.16/19]

27...Qc4!= 28.a5

[28.Bb6 looks sharper. Qg4 29.Kf1 Qc4+ 30.Kg1]

28...Kc8 29.Ree3 -0.96/24

[29.Ra1= 0.24/21 keeps the balance.]

29...Kb8 0.26/20

[Black should play 29...Bxb4!∓ -0.96/24 30.Bb6 Bc5 31.Bxc5 Qxc5]

30.Ref3? -2.09/24

[30.Rd3= 0.26/20]

30...Qe2? 0.01/23

[30...Bxb4!-+ -2.09/24 31.Rf4 Bc5 *(31...Bxa5 32.Ba7+ Kxa7 33.Rxc4=)*]

31.Kh2 Qd1

[31...h4!? 32.Rg4□ f5 33.exf6 Bd6+ 34.Rff4 Ka8±]

32.Rf4 With the idea b5!. **32...h4?** 1.61/23

[32...Qb1= 0.01/22]

33.Rgf3 0.55/21

[33.Rgg4!+- 1.61/23]

33...Rf8± 34.Qg4 0.27/19 Inhibits Rg7.

[Better is 34.Rg4!± 1.16/19]

34...Qb1? 1.79/19

[34...Rhh8!= 0.27/19 and Black stays safe.]

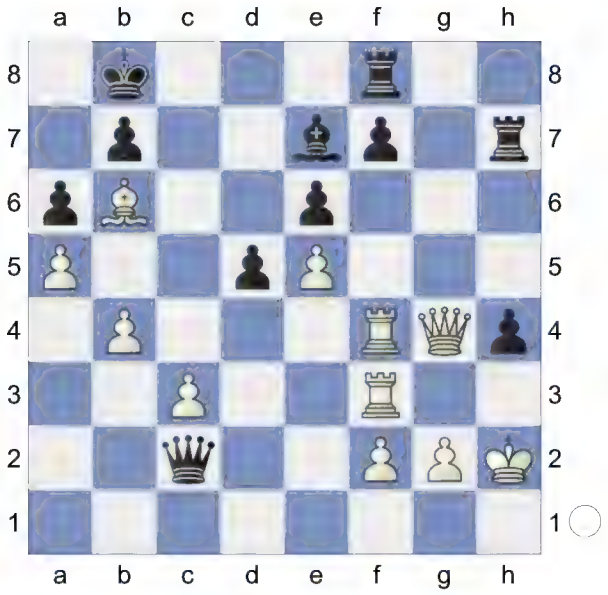
35.Bb6 0.83/18

[35.Be3!+- 1.79/19 and White stays clearly on top.]

35...Qc2? 14.83/21

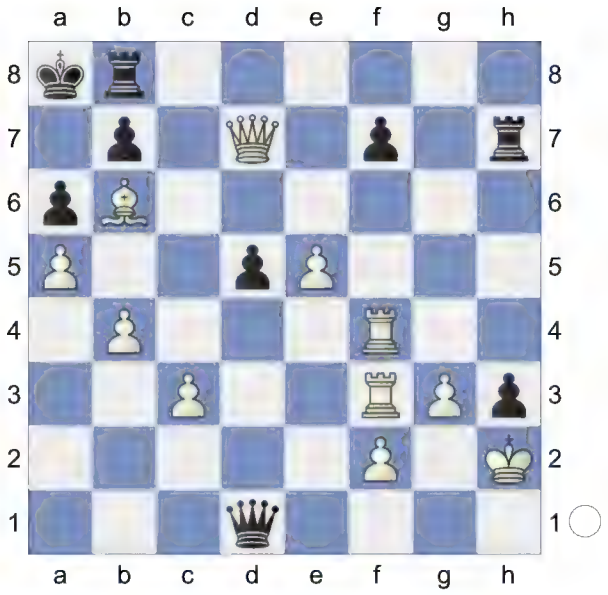
[35...Qf1± 0.83/18]

(Diagram)

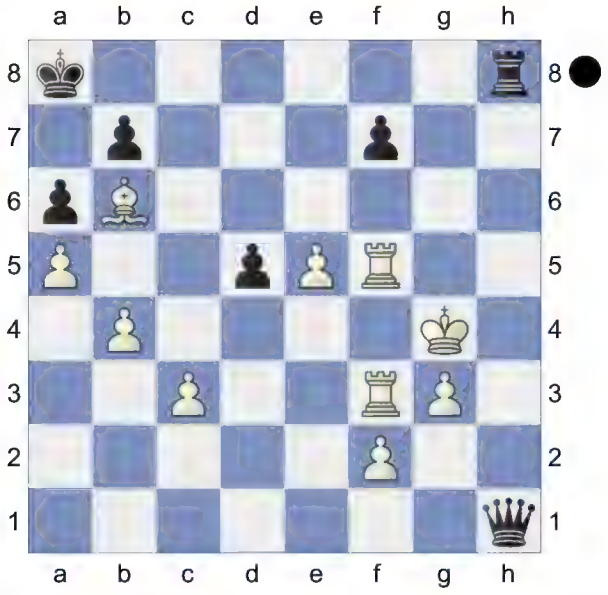


36.Qxe6!!+- Pin, Double Attack **36...h3 37.g3**
[37.Qxe7 hxg2+ 38.Kxg2 Rfh8 39.Qd6+ *(39.Rxf7 Rh2+ 40.Kg3 Qg6+ 41.Kf4 Qe4+ 42.Kg5 R2h5+ 43.Kf6 R5h6+ 44.Kg7 Qh7#)* 39...Ka8 40.Rxf7 *(40.Qxd5 Rh2+ 41.Kf1 Rh1+ 42.Kg2 Rg1+* Decoy *43.Kxg1 Qc1+)* 40...Rg8+ 41.Rg3 Qe4+ 42.Rff3 Rgh8∓]
37...Qd1 38.Qxe7 Rc8 39.Qd6+ 10.03/5
[39.e6 Qf1]
[⌓39.Rxf7 #6/14 Rxf7 40.Rxf7 Qg1+ Decoy 41.Kxg1 h2+ 42.Kh1 *(42.Kxh2 Rh8+ 43.Kg1 Rh1+ 44.Kxh1 Kc8 45.Qxb7#)* 42...Rc7 43.Qxc7+ Ka8 44.Qxb7#]
39...Ka8 40.Qd7
[40.Rxf7? Qf1]
40...Rb8

(Diagram)



41.Qxh3?? -#6/14 **Rxh3+ 42.Kxh3 Qh1+ 43.Kg4 Rh8** -7.08/26
[⌓43...Rg8+ -#4/10 44.Kf5 Qh5+ *(44...Qh6 45.Rg4 Qh7+* Deflection *46.Kf6 Re8 47.Rg7 Qh6+ 48.Kf5 Qxg7 49.Rd3 Rxe5+ 50.Kf4 Qf6+ 51.Kg4 Qf5+ 52.Kh4 Qh5#)* 45.Kf6 Qg6+ 46.Ke7 Qe6#]
44.Rf5

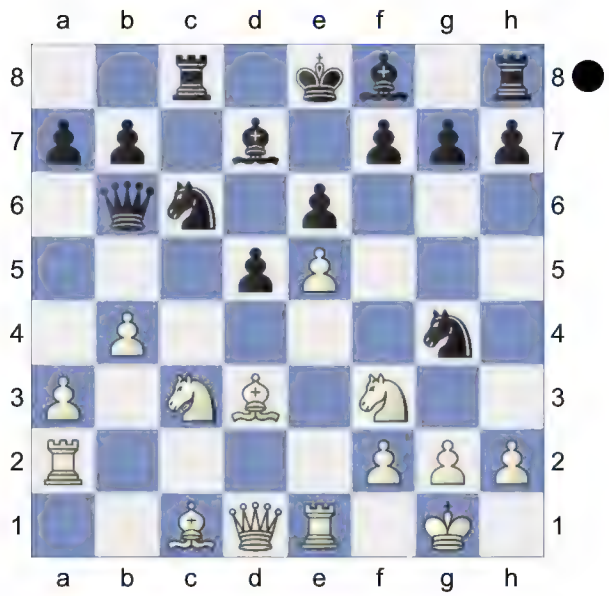


Qh4+?? 35.93/5 **45.gxh4 Rg8+** White mates. **46.Kf4 Rg1 47.Ke3 Re1+** Both players deserved the win here.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.71/ Black=0.76
48.Kd2
1-0

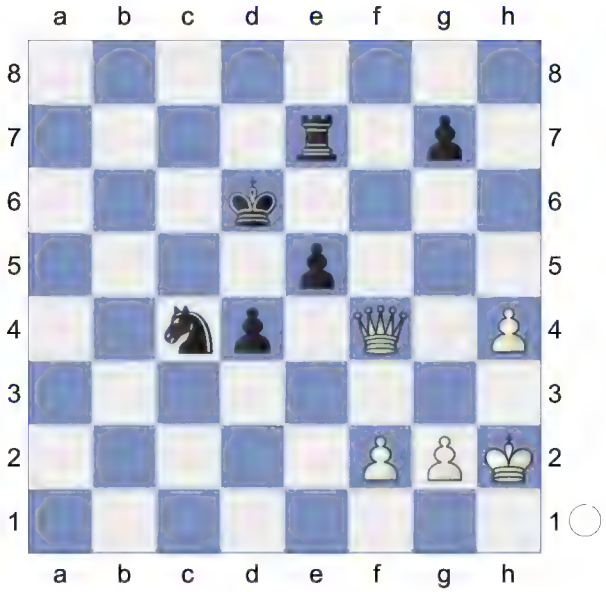
124 **C02**
□ **Zhigalko,Sergei** **2572**
■ **Al-Tarboush,Ward** **2223**
Titled Tue 27. May Early (4) 27.05.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7! 8.a3 Rc8 0.30/20
[⌓8...Nge7 -0.07/20]
9.Re1 White has an edge. **9...Nh6N**
[9...a5 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Bc5 12.Qe2 a4 13.Rb1 Qa7 14.c4 Nge7 15.h4 Ng6 16.g3 Nd4 17.Nxd4 Bxd4 18.Bb2 Nxe5 19.Bxd4 Qxd4 20.Qxe5 Qxd3 21.Qxg7 Rf8 22.Rbd1 Qg6 23.Qd4 Rg8 24.cxd5 1-0 (29) Webb,L (2201)-Ankitha,G (1980) Sitges Sunway op 9th 2022 (2)]
[9...Nge7 10.h4 g6 *(10...h6 11.h5 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Nb3 14.Be3 d4 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Qa5 17.b4 Qd8 18.Nb5 Nc6 19.Bxa7 Be7 20.Bc5 0-0 21.Nd6 Rb8 22.b5 Na5 23.Qg4 b6 24.Qe4 g6 25.hxg6* 1-0 (29) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Hayrapetyan,E (2137) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early blitz 2025 (4) *)* 11.b4 Bg7 12.b5 Na5 13.Nxd4 Nc4 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.a4 Nd5 16.Ba3 Qd8 17.Qf3 Qxh4 18.Nd2 Qf4 19.Qxf4 Nxf4 20.Ne4 Bxe5 21.Bd6 Bxd6 22.Nxd6+ Ke7 23.Nxc8+ Rxc8 24.Rad1 0-1 (59) Gorodetzky,D (2492)-Andreikin,D (2729) Titled Tuesday intern op 17th Jan Early blitz 2023 (5)]
[9...a6 10.b4 Nge7 11.h4 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nd4 13.Bb2 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 Nc6 15.Qh5 g6 16.Qg5 Be7 17.Na4 Qd8 18.Qh6 Bf8 19.Qf4 Be7 20.Nc5 Bxc5 21.bxc5 Na5 22.Qh6 Nb3 23.Rad1 Rxc5 24.Qg7 ½-½ (40) Klyatskin,M (1969)-Adorjan,A (1929) Luis Paucar Perez Memorial 199 (8.122)]
10.b4 dxc3 11.Nxc3 Ng4 12.Ra2 -0.45/20
[12.Qe2= 0.01/23]



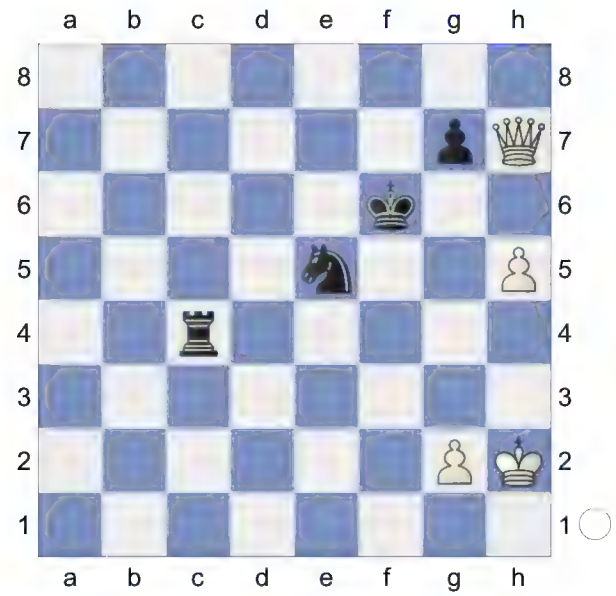
12...Nxb4 0.01/22 **13.Na4?** -6.68/22
[13.axb4= 0.01/22 Rxc3 14.h3]
13...Nxd3?? 3.27/22
[13...Nxa2 14.Nxb6 Rxc1 15.Qd2 Rxe1+ 16.Nxe1 axb6 17.Qg5∓]
[13...Rxc1-+ -6.68/22 avoids the disaster. 14.axb4 Rxd1 15.Nxb6 Rxd3 *(15...Rxe1+? 16.Nxe1 axb6 17.f4-+)* 16.Rxa7 Bxb4]
14.Nxb6+- Rxc1 15.Qxd3 Rxe1+? 6.50/22
[15...Nxe5 3.25/25 16.Qd2 Rxe1+ 17.Qxe1 Nxf3+ 18.gxf3 axb6]

16.Nxe1 axb6 17.Qd4 h5 18.Nd3 Prevents Bc5. **18...Bb5 19.Rc2 Bxd3 20.Qxd3** 6.00/28
[⌓20.Qa4+ #5/12 Bb5 21.Qxb5+ Kd8 22.Qxb6+ Kd7 23.Qxb7+ Ke8 24.Rc8#]
20...Bc5 21.Qb5+ Kf8 22.a4
[22.Qd7 g6 23.Rxc5 *(23.Qxb7 Kg7+-)* 23...bxc5±]
22...Kg8 7.90/22
[⌓22...g6 4.98/25 23.h3 Nxe5]
23.Rxc5 bxc5 24.Qxb7 Endgame KQ-KRN **24...c4 25.a5 Kh7 26.h3 Nxe5 27.a6?** -0.01/19
[27.f4+- 5.12/25]
27...c3!= 28.Qc7! Deflection **28...Nc4 29.Qxf7?** -6.11/26
[29.Qg3= -0.09/23 Ra8 30.Qxc3 Rxa6 31.Qf3]
29...c2? 0.01/19
[Better is 29...Rc8!-+ -6.11/26 30.Qxh5+ *(30.Qxe6? Nb6-+* Promotion *)* 30...Kg8]
30.Qxh5+
[30.Qxe6? c1Q+ *(30...c1B? 31.Qxd5 Nb6 32.Qe4+ g6 33.Qb7+ Kh6 34.Qxb6+-)* 31.Kh2 Qf4+ 32.Kg1 Rb8-+ *(32...Ra8? 33.Qxd5 Rxa6 34.Qxh5+ Rh6 35.Qd1-+)*]
30...Kg8 31.Qg5 Some like it hot
31...Kf7? 4.44/22
[31...d4!= 0.01/21]
32.Qf4++- Ke7 White must now prevent ...Rc8. **33.Qg5+?** -0.01/23
[White has to play 33.Qc1+- 4.27/22]
33...Kd6 34.Qc1
[34.Qxg7? c1Q+ *(34...c1R+ 35.Kh2=)* 35.Kh2 Qf4+ 36.Qg3 Qxg3+ 37.Kxg3 d4-+ *(37...Ra8? 38.Kf4-+)*]
34...Ra8 35.Qxc2 Rxa6 36.Kh2 Ra3 0.54/21
[36...Kc5!= -0.01/21]
37.Qc1 0.07/19
[37.Qg6± 0.54/21 is more appropriate. Ra7 38.h4]
37...Ra7? 2.18/22
[37...e5!= 0.07/19]
38.Qg5 0.85/21
[38.Qb1+- 2.18/22]
38...Re7 2.03/20
[38...d4± 0.85/21 39.Qd8+ Kc5 40.Qc8+ Kd5]
39.h4 d4 40.Qf4+? 0.28/22
[40.h5+- 2.20/22]
40...e5=



41.Qe4 Rc7 1.74/20
[41...Kc5!± 0.63/18 42.f4 Re6]
42.h5 1.17/18
[42.f4+- 1.74/20]
42...Nb6? 5.13/21
[42...Rd7± 1.17/18 is a better chance. 43.f4 Rc7]
43.f4+- Nd7 44.fxe5+ Nxe5 45.Qxd4+ Ke6 46.Qe4? 0.68/24
[46.Kh3+- 4.96/22 Re7 47.g4]
46...Rc4 1.53/24
[46...g6!± 0.68/24]
47.Qh7 0.29/22
[47.Qe1± 1.53/24]
47...Kf6? 2.75/22

[47...Rh4+= 0.29/22 48.Kg3 Rg4+ 49.Kf2 Nf7]

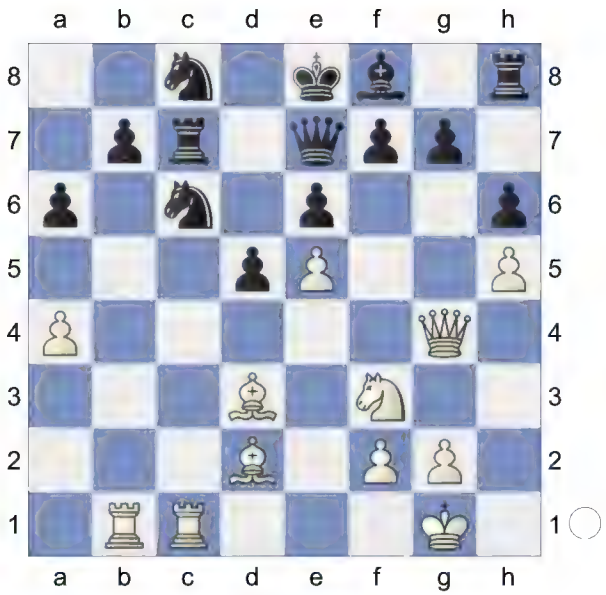


48.Kh3! Rc3+? 4.88/23
[48...Rg4 2.65/21 49.h6 gxh6 50.Qxh6+ Rg6 51.Qf8+ Ke6 52.Qc8+ Kd5 53.Qa8+ Kd6 54.Qb8+ Kd5]
49.g3 Rc4 50.Qh8 2.38/22
[⌓50.Qb1 5.08/23 Rg4 51.Qf1+ Ke6 52.Qc1]
50...Nf7 51.Qf8 Ke6? 8.08/19
[51...Rd4 2.33/22 52.g4 Rd5]
52.Qg8? 2.45/22
[52.Qxg7 8.08/19 Rc5 53.g4]
52...Kf6 53.Qf8? -0.01/22
[53.Qb8+- 2.53/23]
53...Rc7? 2.76/22
[53...Ke6!= -0.01/22 54.Qxg7 Rc5]
54.Kg2 1.35/21
[54.Qa3+- 2.76/22 and White stays clearly on top.]
54...Re7? 4.33/23
[54...Rc2+± 1.35/21 was worth a try. 55.Kg1 Rc1+ 56.Kf2 Rc2+ 57.Ke1 Rc7]
55.Kh3? -0.01/24
[55.g4+- 4.33/23 Re5 56.Kg3]
55...Re5 2.07/25
[55...Rc7!= -0.01/24 and Black has nothing to worry.]
56.g4 Threatens to win with Qg8.
56...Ke6? 8.14/22
[56...g5± 0.93/25 57.h6 Rd5 58.Qg7+ Ke7]
57.Qxg7 Ng5+ 58.Kh4 Qxe5+! would kill now. **58...Nf3+ 59.Kg3 Re3 60.Kf4** 13.88/21
[⌓60.Qh6+ 37.88/24 Kd5 61.Qxe3]
60...Rb3 61.Qg6+ 15.82/21
[⌓61.Qg8+ #14/21 Kd6 62.Qxb3 Nd4 63.Qd3 Kd5 64.h6 Kc5 65.h7 Ne6+ 66.Kg3 *(66.Ke5 Ng5 67.Qd5+ Kb4 68.h8Q Nf7+ 69.Qxf7 Kc3 70.Qh3+ Kb4 71.Qhb3+ Kc5 72.Qfd5#)*]
61...Ke7 62.Qh7+ Kd6 63.Qg6+? -0.01/24
[63.Qe4+- 10.96/18]
63...Kc5? #14/23
[63...Ke7= -0.01/24 64.Qe4+ Kd6]
64.Qf5+ 34.02/25
[⌓64.Qc2+ #14/23 Kd6 65.Qxb3 Nd4 66.Qb8+ Kd5 67.Qe5+ Kc4 68.h6 Nc2 69.Qe4+ Nd4 70.h7 *(70.Ke3 Kc3 71.Qxd4+ Kb3 72.h7 Ka3 73.h8R Ka2 74.Qb6 Ka3 75.Ra8#)*]
64...Kb4 65.Qe4+ Ka3 Never resign too early!
Weighted Error Value: White=1.39/ Black=1.40
66.Qxf3
1-0

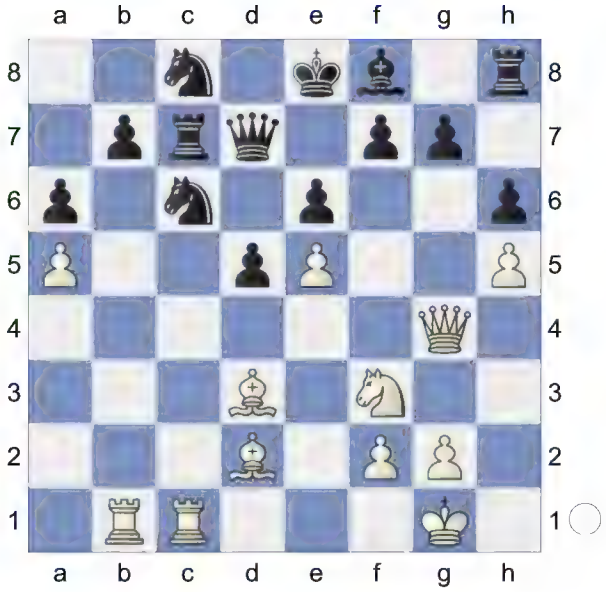
125 **C02**
□ **Zhigalko,Sergei** **2572**
■ **So,Wesley** **2752**
Titled Tue 5. Dec Early (10) 05.12.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 h6 10.h5 Rc8 11.a3 a6**
[11...dxc3 with more complications. 12.Nxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Nc4]
12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nxb4 14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Rb1 Qa5N
[16...Qc7 17.Bd2 Qd7 18.Nh4 Nxe5 19.Qb3 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Rc4 21.g3 Nc6 22.Nf5 Re4 23.f3 Ne5 24.Qb3 Rxe1+ 25.Rxe1 Nc4 26.Bc3 f6 27.Bd4 Kf7 28.Nh4 e5 29.Ng6 Rg8 30.Bf2 Bd6 31.Rd1 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Galchenko,M (2438) chess.com INT 2023 [John Watson] 1-0 (55)]
17.Qg4 Rc7 18.a4 Nc8 0.99/22
[18...Qc3= 0.01/19 keeps the balance. 19.Rd1 Rd7]
19.Bd2± White has strong compensation. **19...Qc5** **20.Rec1↑** Keeping Black busy. **20...Qe7** 1.85/19
[20...Qa7± 0.96/22 was worth a try.]

(Diagram)

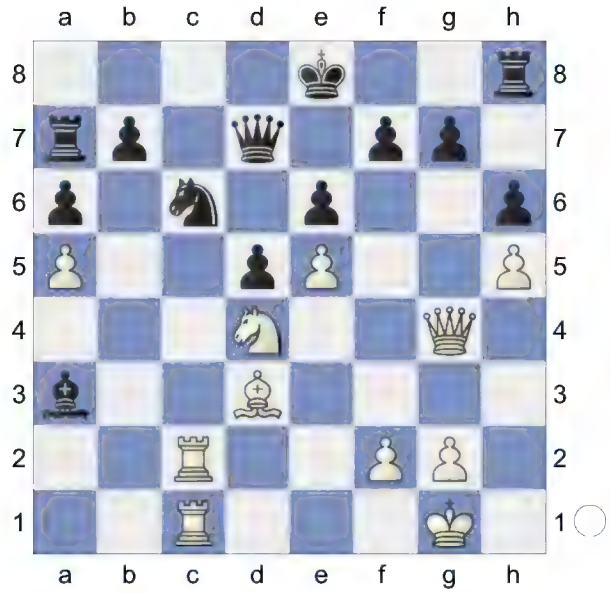


21.a5? 0.29/19
[21.Rxb7!+- 1.85/19 Rxb7 22.Rxc6]
21...Qd7 1.13/20
[21...N8a7!= 0.29/19]



22.Rc2 0.12/20
[22.Bc2!± 1.13/20]
22...N8a7 1.17/21
[22...N8e7= 0.12/20 remains equal.]
23.Rbc1 0.20/19
0x0.00175a7b6234dp-1022s more active pieces. The black rooks are badly placed.

[23.Be3± 1.17/21]
23...Rc8 0.69/21
[23...Nc8= 0.20/19]
24.Be3± Ra8? 3.58/21
[Better is 24...Rg8!± 0.65/19]
25.Bxa7+- Rxa7 26.Nd4 Ba3



27.Qxg7 Rf8 28.Rxc6 bxc6 29.Rxc6 Be7 30.Bxa6 Rxa6 6.50/21
[30...Qxc6 3.15/21 31.Nxc6 Rxa6]
31.Rxa6 Ra8+ is the strong threat.
31...Qa4 32.Ra8+ Kd7 33.Rxf8? 0.01/18
[33.Ra7++- 7.77/22 Ke8 34.Nf3]
33...Qd1+= The position is equal.
34.Kh2 Qxh5+ 35.Kg1! Qd1+ 36.Kh2 Qh5+ 37.Kg1! Qd1+ 38.Kh2 Qh5+ Blacks defense is rewarded with a draw.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/ Black=0.43
½-½

126 **C02**
□ **PlmIgs99** **2567**
■ **FischerD** **2436**
Blitz 18.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7! 8.Re1 White has compensation. **8...a6 9.Nbd2** White is slightly better.
[9.h4 dxc3 10.Nxc3 Bc5 11.Qe2 Nd4 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.h5 Ne7 14.Bd2 Nc6 15.Na4 Qa7 16.Bf4 Nb4 17.Nc3 Bxf2+ 18.Kh1 Bxe1 19.Rxe1 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Rc8 21.Qg3 g6 22.Bg5 h6 23.Bf6 Rg8 0-1 (40) Trifonov,D (2163)-Sydykov,B (2221) Titled Tuesday intern op 07th Jan Early blitz 2025 (8)]
9...Nh6N 0.74/19
[9...Nge7= 0.22/19]
[9...dxc3 10.bxc3
A) 10...Bc5 11.Qe2 Qa7 *(11...Na5 12.c4 dxc4 13.Bxc4 Bc6 14.Ng5 Rd8 15.Rb1 Qc7 16.Bd3 Qd7 17.Bc2 Bb5 18.Qf3 Nc6 19.a4 Nd4 20.Qc3 Nxc2 21.Qxc5 Rc8 22.Qb6 Nxe1 23.Nge4 Qc6 24.Qe3 Bd3 25.Rxb7 Rd8 26.Nd6+* 0-1 (28) Prado Acebo,I (2189)-Ticona Rocabado,L (2321) Iberoamerican-ch 10th 2024 (8)*)* 12.Nb3 Bb6 13.a4 a5 14.Ba3 Nge7 15.Nbd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.cxd4 Qxd4 18.Bb5 Bc6 19.Rac1 Rc8 20.Rc2 Kd7 21.Rec1 Ng6 22.Bb2 Qb4 23.g3 Bxb5 24.axb5 Ne7 25.Bc3 0-1 (33) legitimatez (2586)-Caminero85 (2732) Blitz 2024;
B) 10...Rc8 11.Rb1 Qc7 12.Qe2

Na5 13.Bb2 Be7 14.Nb3 Nc4 15.Nbd4 Qa5 16.Bxc4 dxc4 17.Qe4 Qd5 18.Qg4 Bf8 19.Red1 Nh6 20.Qf4 Qa5 21.g4 Bc5 22.g5 Ng8 23.Qe4 Qc7 24.Bc1 0-1 (51) Payne,M (2104)-Nilsen,T (2219) Speed Chess Q2 Sw blitz 2023 (5)]

[9...Rc8 10.Nb3 dxc3 11.bxc3 Na5 12.Be3 Qc7 13.Nxa5 Qxa5 14.Qb1 b5 15.a4 b4 16.cxb4 Bxb4 17.Bxa6 Bxe1 18.Bxc8 Bxc8 19.Nxe1 Bd7 20.Qb8+ Qd8 21.Qb4 Ne7 22.Bc5 f6 23.exf6 gxf6 24.a5 1-0 (40) Borge,N (2388)-Klitgaard,T (2137) DEN-chT 2223 60th 2022 (6.1)]

10.c4± Nb4 11.Bb1 a3 would now be deadly.

[11.cxd5!? exd5 *(11...Nxd3 12.Nc4±)* 12.Nb3±]

11...Rc8 1.67/17

[11...d3!± 0.47/17]

12.a3+- Nc6 13.cxd5 exd5 14.Nb3 0.66/16

[14.b4+- 1.68/18]

A mistake that costs the game.

14...Bc5? 2.67/19

[Better is 14...Be7!± 0.66/16]

15.Bxh6 gxh6 16.Nxc5 Qxc5 17.Qd2 Rg8? 3.71/18

[17...Be6 2.13/16 was necessary. 18.Qf4 *(18.Qxh6 Qf8+-)* 18...Qf8 19.Nxd4 Nxd4]

18.Qxh6 2.15/17

[⌓18.Bxh7 3.71/18 Rh8 19.Bd3 *(19.Qxh6 Qf8±)*]

18...Bg4? 5.37/20

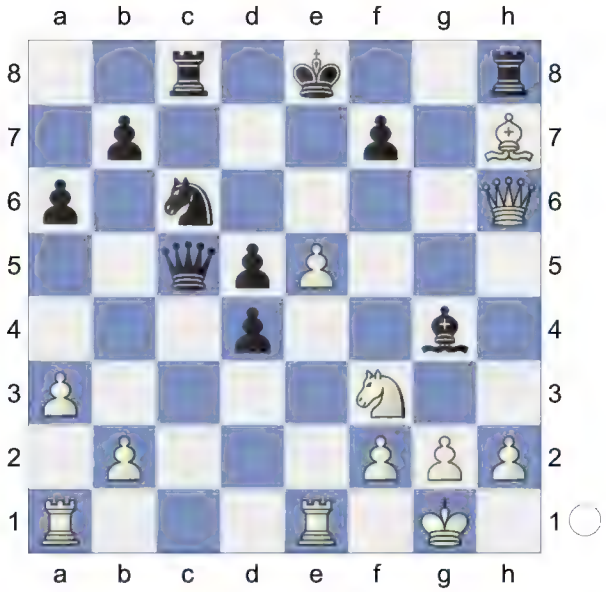
[18...Qf8 2.15/17 19.Qd2 *(19.Qxh7 Rh8±)* 19...Qg7]

19.Bxh7

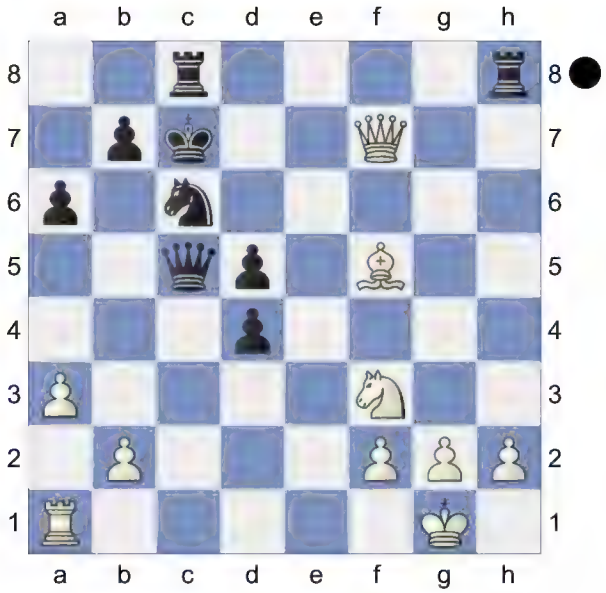
[Less strong is 19.Qxh7 Qf8±]

19...Rh8 7.62/20

[⌓19...Qf8 4.53/18 20.Qf6 *(20.Qf4 Bxf3 21.Bxg8 Be4+-)* 20...Bxf3]



20.e6! Bxe6 21.Rxe6+ fxe6 22.Qxe6+ Kd8 23.Bf5 Kc7 24.Qf7+



Deflection **24...Kb6 25.Bxc8 Rxc8 26.Qf5** Repels d3 **26...Ne7 27.Qd3** White is clearly winning. **27...Rc6** 7.11/20

[⌓27...Nc6 4.76/20 28.g3 a5]

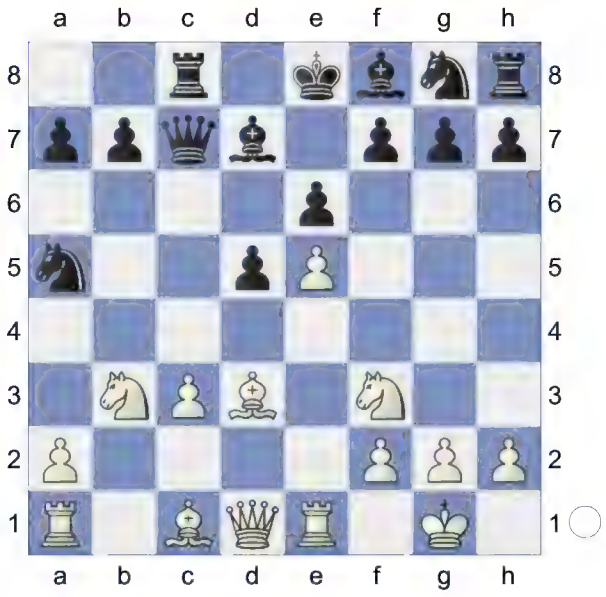
28.Qxd4 Qxd4 29.Nxd4 Endgame KRN-KRN. White is two pawns up.

29...Rg6 30.Rd1 Kc5 31.h4 Rh6 32.g3 b5 33.Kg2 Kc4 34.Nf3 Kb3

35.Rd2 a5 36.g4 Rg6 37.g5 a4 38.Kh3 Rg8 39.Kg4 Rf8 40.Nd4+ Kc4 41.h5 Rg8 42.h6 Nc8 43.h7 Rh8 44.g6 White threatens f4 and mate. **44...Nd6**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.41/ Black=1.10
45.g7
1-0

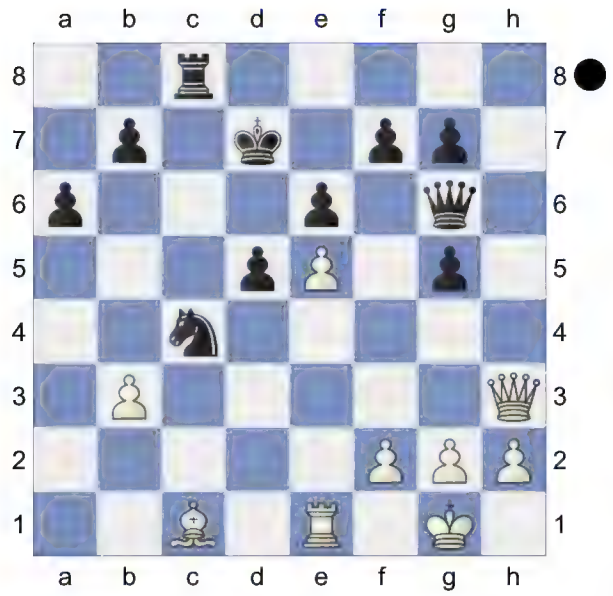
127 **C02**
□ **Rekcirts** **2561**
■ **nocnypako** **2693**
Blitz 13.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7! 8.Re1 Rc8 0.46/16
[8...Nh6= 0.05/16 is more appropriate.]
9.Nbd2!± White is slightly better. **9...Qc7** 0.61/18
[9...Nge7= 0.25/17]
10.Nb3
[10.cxd4 Nb4 11.Nb3 Nxd3 12.Qxd3 Ne7=]
[10.Nxd4 Nxe5 11.Nb5 Qb8∓]
10...dxc3 11.bxc3 Na5N 0.80/16
[11...a6± 0.32/16]
[11...Nge7 12.h4 *(12.Rb1 Ng6 13.Qe2 Be7 14.Nbd4 Na5 15.h4 Bxh4 16.Nxh4 Nxh4 17.Ba3 Ng6 18.Nb5 Bxb5 19.Bxb5+ Nc6 20.c4 dxc4 21.Qxc4 Nge7 22.Bxc6+ Nxc6 23.Rb3 h6 24.Reb1 Qa5 25.Bd6 Ne7 26.Qg4 Nf5* 1-0 (61) RaspFish (2992)-weiawaga (2678) Blitz 2024; *12.Qe2 a6 13.h4 Na7 14.Bd2 Bb5 15.a4 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 Qc4 17.Qc2 Nf5 18.Rab1 Qxa4 19.Qd3 Nxh4 20.Nxh4 Qxh4 21.Nd4 Rc7 22.Re3 Bc5 23.Rbe1 Bxd4 24.cxd4 Nb5 25.Rg3 Qxd4 26.Qe2 Rc2* 0-1 (31) Mora Velasco,A (1884)-Zschiedrich,H (2067) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early blitz 2025 (4)) 12...Ng6 13.Qe2 Be7 14.h5 Ngxe5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Qxe5 Nxe5 17.Rxe5 Bf6 18.Re3 Rxc3 19.Rb1 d4 20.Rg3 0-0 21.Bb2 Rfc8 22.Bxc3 dxc3 23.Rd1 Bc6 24.Bc2 Kf8 25.Re3 b6 26.Nd4 (47) Introduction Model Games-Harikrishna,M Bd5 27.a4 g6 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Nb5 Rc4 30.Nxa7 Rb4 31.Nb5 Rb2 32.Rc1 Bg5 33.Nxc3 Bxe3 34.fxe3 Bc6 35.Be4 Bd7 36.Bd3 Bc6 37.Rc2 Rb4 38.Bb5 Bxb5 39.axb5 Rc4 40.Kf2 Ke7 41.Ke2 1-0 (47) Carlsen,M (2863)-Harikrishna,P (2732) Saint Louis Blitz 2020 (15)]



12.Nbd4 -0.01/19
[12.Nxa5!± 0.80/16 Strongly threatening Nb3. Qxa5 13.Bd2]
12...a6 13.Ng5 h6? 8.80/20

[13...Be7= -0.02/17]
14.Qh5? -0.01/18
[14.Nxf7!+- 8.80/20 Kxf7 15.Qf3+ *(15.Qh5+ Ke7+-)* 15...Nf6 16.exf6]
14...hxg5= 15.Qxh8 Qxc3 16.Be3 Qxd3 17.Qxg8 Nc4 18.Rad1 -0.43/21
[18.Rab1!± 0.45/23]
18...Qg6∓ and ...Ba4! would now be decisive. Some like it hot. Active counter play! **19.Bc1?** -5.02/19
[19.Nb3!= -0.01/18 Nxe3 *(19...Nxe5?* loses. *20.Bc5+-* Discovered Attack *)* 20.Rxe3]
19...Ba4-+ 20.Nb3 Kd7 21.Qh8 Bb4! 22.Qh3 White is weak on the light squares **22...Bxe1 23.Rxe1 Bxb3 24.axb3** -7.61/20
[24.Qxb3 -3.84/21 Kc7 25.h3]

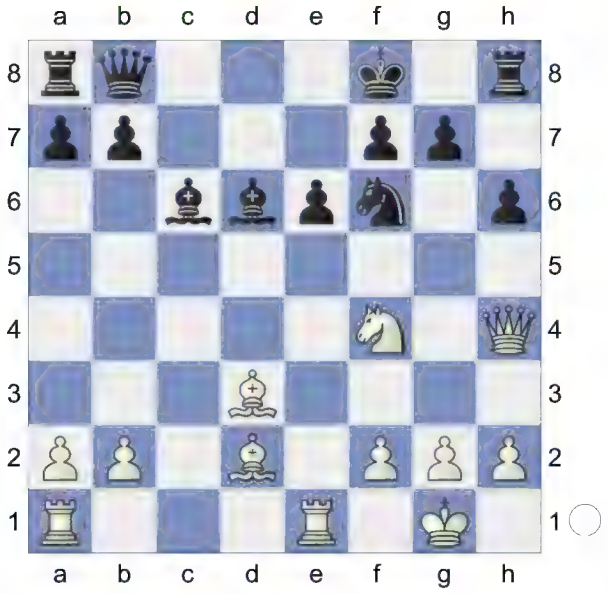


24...Nxe5! Deflection, Back Rank
25.Qg3
[25.Qe3 Nd3]
Quite a comeback for Black.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/ Black=0.52
25...Nd3
0-1

128 **C02**
□ **EpicEffects** **2556**
■ **flamaster7** **2755**
Blitz 09.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.Nc3 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.0-0 Qxe5 11.Re1 Qb8 12.Nxd5 Bd6 13.Qg4 Kf8 14.Bd2 -0.66/16
[14.Qh3= -0.28/17]
14...Bc6N 1.57/18
[14...h5!∓ -0.66/16 stays ahead. 15.Qh3
A) 15...Qd8 16.Nc3 Nf6 17.Rad1 Qb6 18.Ne4 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Bc5 20.Qf3 Bc6 21.Bxc6 Qxc6 ½-½ Classical Line 7.a4 & 8.Bf4 (1902)-Raineri,V (1864) Magyarorszag 129/191 2015 (5);
B) 15...Bc6 16.Ne3 Nf6 17.Nc4 Bc7 18.Bc3 Nd5 19.Ne5 Nxc3 20.Nxf7 Bxh2+ *(20...Kxf7 21.Qxe6+ Kf8 22.Qf5+ Kg8 23.Bc4+ Bd5 24.Bxd5+ Nxd5 25.Qxd5+ Kh7 26.Qf5+* Chess Informant Eco Chess Informant ECO C5 2006*)* 21.Kh1 Ne4 22.Bxe4 Kxf7 23.Bxc6 Rh6 24.Bd7 Be5 25.f4 Bxf4 26.Bxe6+ Kf8 27.Rad1 1-0 Salnikov,V-Prudnikova,S (2265) USSR 55/(271) 1991;
C) 15...exd5 16.Qxd7 Bxh2+ 17.Kh1 Nf6]
15.Nf4? -0.01/17
[Only move: 15.Bc3!± 1.57/18 e5 *(15...Bxh2+? 16.Kf1+-)* 16.Qc4]
15...Nf6= 16.Qh4 h6? 3.40/17
[16...Be7= 0.01/16 and Black has

nothing to worry. 17.a3 a5]



17.Nxe6+!+- fxe6
[17...Kg8 18.Nd4]
18.Rxe6 Be5 8.64/19
[18...Bxh2+ 2.58/16 19.Qxh2 Qxh2+ 20.Kxh2 Rd8 21.Bb4+ Kg8]
19.Re1 Bxh2+ 8.15/19
[⌓19...Qd8 5.19/19 20.Bb4+ Kg8]
20.Kh1
[20.Qxh2 Qxh2+ 21.Kxh2 Rd8+-]
20...Qd8 21.Bg6? 2.38/19
[21.Bc4 8.16/18]
21...Ne4? 10.09/20
[21...Qxd2 2.38/19 22.Rxf6+ Kg8 *(22...gxf6 23.Qxf6+ Kg8 24.Qf7#)* 23.Bf7+ Kh7 24.Bg6+ Kg8]
22.Bb4+
[22.Qxh2 Qxd2 23.R1xe4 Bxe4 24.Rxe4 Qd1+ *(24...Qxb2 25.Qd6+ Kg8 26.Qe6+ Kf8 27.Qf7#)* 25.Qg1 Qxg1+ 26.Kxg1 h5 27.Rf4+ Kg8 28.Bf7+ Kh7 29.Bxh5 Rhf8∓]
22...Kg8 23.Qxh2 Nxf2+ 24.Kg1 Qb6 aiming for ...Ng4+. **25.Qh5** 2.15/20
[25.Bf7+ 10.14/24 Kxf7 26.Re7+ Kg8 27.Rxg7+ Decoy Kxg7 28.Qe5+ Kg6 29.Qe6+ Kg5 30.Be7+ Kf4 31.Qf6+ Skewer Kg4 32.Qg6+ Kf4 33.Bd6#]
25...Nd3+? 10.80/19
[25...Ne4+ 26.Kh2 Qc7+ *(26...Qxb4 27.R1xe4 Qf8 28.Qe5+-)* 27.Re5]
[25...Qxb4 2.15/20 26.Bf7+ Kf8]
26.Kh1? 0.01/25
[26.R6e3+- 10.80/19 Be4 27.Bxe4 Nxb4 28.a3]
26...Qxb4? 6.41/28
[26...Nf2+= 0.01/25 27.Kg1 *(27.Kh2 Qxb4 28.Bc2 Ng4+ 29.Kh1 Qf4=)* 27...Ne4+ *(27...Qxb4? 28.Bf7+ Kf8 29.Be8+-)* 28.Kh2 Qxb4 29.R1xe4 Bxe4 30.Bxe4 Qf8 *(30...Qxb2 31.Re8+* Back Rank *Rxe8 32.Qxe8#)*]
27.Bf7+?? -2.20/5
[27.Bxd3+- 6.41/28 is the narrow road to win. White wants to mate with Re7. Rf8 28.Re7]
27...Kf8-+

28.Qf5? -8.09/19 **Qh4+**
[28...Nxe1 29.Bg6+ Kg8 30.Qf7#]
[28...Qxe1+? 29.Rxe1 Bxg2+ *(29...Nxe1 30.Bg6+ Ke7 31.Qe5+ Kd8 32.Qd6+ Bd7 33.Bf5 Ke8 34.Qxd7+ Kf8 35.Bg6 h5 36.Qf7#)* 30.Kxg2 Nxe1+ 31.Kh3+-]

29.Kg1 Qf2+ -3.65/5
[Weaker is 29...Nxe1 30.Bh5+]
[29...Qxe1+ 30.Rxe1 Nxe1 31.Bh5+ Ke7 32.Qe5+ Kd8 33.Qd6+ *(33.Qxe1 Rc8±; 33.Qxg7 Re8+-)* 33...Bd7 34.Bg4]
[⌓29...Qg5 -8.07/19 30.Qxg5 hxg5]
30.Qxf2 Nxf2 31.Bg6 -5.74/22
[31.Bh5 -3.95/21 was necessary. Ne4 32.R6xe4 Bxe4 33.Rxe4]
31...Ng4 Black is clearly winning.
32.Rf1+ Nf6 33.g4 Be8
Weighted Error Value: White=1.99/ Black=3.07
34.Rfe1
0-1

129 **C02**
□ **Kempinski,Robert** **2556**
■ **Brodowski,Piotr** **2442**
Rubinstein Memorial 59th (4) 22.08.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0! outshines the older 7.cxd4.erfolgreicher als das alte 7.cxd4. **7...Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** White is slightly better. **9...h6 10.h5 dxc3** 0.84/24
[10...a6= 0.15/23]
[10...Rc8 11.a3 a6 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3 Nxb4 14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Rb1 Qa5 17.Qg4 Rc7 18.a4 Nc8 19.Bd2 Qc5 20.Rec1 Qe7 21.a5 Qd7 22.Rc2 N8a7 23.Rbc1 Rc8 24.Be3 Ra8 25.Bxa7 ½-½ (38) Zhigalko,S (2572)-So,W (2752) Titled Tue 5. Dec Early 2023 (10)]
11.Nxc3± a6 0.92/22
[11...Nb4± 0.53/22]
12.a3 White has strong compensation.
12...Qc7N 1.18/23
[Vorgänger: 12...Na5
A) 13.Be3± 1.09/23 Qxb2 14.Bd4 *(14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nec6 16.Qg4* 23) French Defense: The 'Hect-French Hector Mbg Mainline *)*;
B) 13.b4 0.26/23 13...Nc4!= 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.Nd2 -0.01/21 *(15.Be3± 0.47/21 Qc6 16.Bc5)* 15...Rc8 0.91/24 *(15...Nf5=* -0.01/21 *)* 16.Nde4± Nd5 1.18/25 *(16...Nf5± 0.62/24)* 17.Nxd5 0.25/20 *(*Better is *17.Qg4!±* 1.18/25 *Nxc3 18.Nxc3)* 17...exd5= 18.Qxd5 And now Nd6+ would win. Be6! 1-0 Grandelius,N (2663)-Shetty,A (2437) Titled Tuesday intern op 10th Nov blitz 2020 (7)]
[12...Nd4± 0.64/23]
13.Bf4± White is much more active.
13...g5 1.59/22
[⌓13...Na5 0.87/21]
14.Bh2? -0.01/22
[14.hxg6± 1.59/22 Nxg6 15.Bg3]
14...g4 15.Nd2 Rg8 16.Nf1 -0.01/23
[16.Rc1!± 0.48/23]
16...Bg7 0.39/22
[16...Rg5= -0.01/23 was preferable.]
17.Rc1!± Qb6 0.55/24
[17...Bxe5? 18.Bxe5 Qb6 *(18...Nxe5? 19.Nxd5 Qd8 20.Nc7+ Kf8 21.Nxa8+-)* 19.Na4+-]
[17...Nxe5? 18.Nxd5+-]
[17...Rc8!= 0.01/21]
18.b4 -0.01/21
[18.Qxg4? Nxe5 *(18...Qxb2 19.Bh7±)* 19.Qh3 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Qxb2-+]
[18.Bh7!± 0.55/24 Rh8 19.Na4]
18...Qd4= 19.Ne2 Qb6 20.Nc3! Qd4⇄ Black is not holding back **21.Ne2 Qa7 22.Nc3 Rc8** 0.69/24

[22...Qd4!= -0.01/23 23.Ne2]
23.Nd2? -1.74/24
[23.Qxg4 Nxe5 24.Qe2 Nxd3 25.Qxd3 Qd4 26.Qxd4 Bxd4∓]
[23.Bh7± 0.69/24 stays ahead. Rh8 24.Bb1]
23...Bh8!-+ 24.b5 -2.73/24
[24.Nf1∓ -1.32/22]
24...g3 25.Bxg3 Rxg3 26.bxc6 Rxd3? -0.01/20
[26...Nxc6-+ -1.94/19 27.Nf3 Rxf3 28.Qxf3 Nxe5]
27.cxd7+= Kxd7 28.Qa4+ Rc6 29.Nf3 -0.83/22
[29.Nb3!= 0.01/22]
29...Qc5 0.01/23
[29...Qb8!∓ -0.83/22 ...b5 would now be deadly. 30.Na2 Rxf3 Remove Defender 31.gxf3 Bxe5 32.Rxc6 Nxc6]
30.Ne2? -1.71/26
[30.Nb1= 0.01/23 Qb6 31.Qf4]
30...Qxa3-+ 31.Qf4 Nf5 -0.30/20
[31...Rxc1∓ -1.22/25 32.Nxc1 Rc3 33.Qxh6 Rc8]
32.Rxc6!= bxc6
[32...Kxc6?! 33.Nfd4+ Nxd4 34.Nxd4+ Kd7 35.Rb1± *(35.Qxf7+ Qe7±)*]
33.Ng3? -4.94/22
[33.Rb1!= -0.23/21 and White is okay.]

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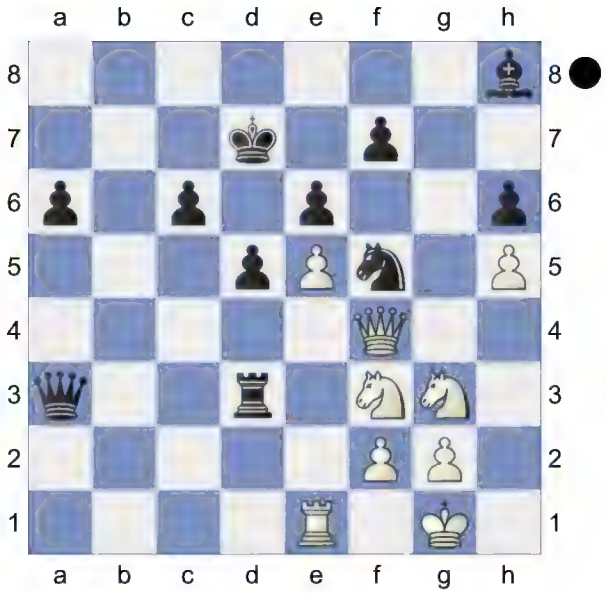
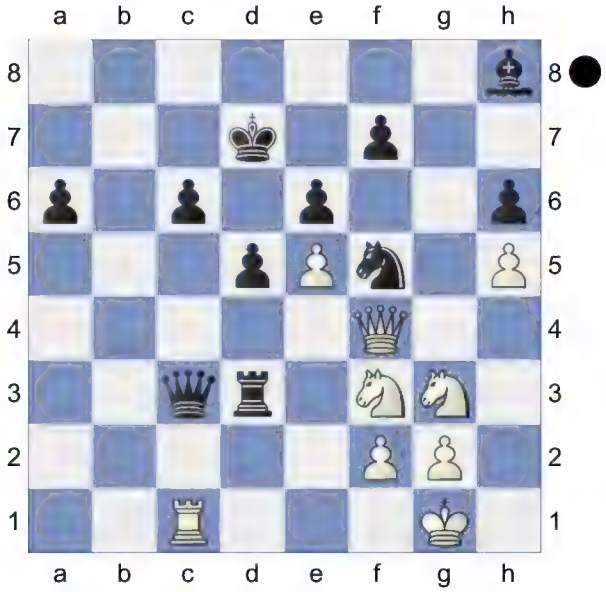
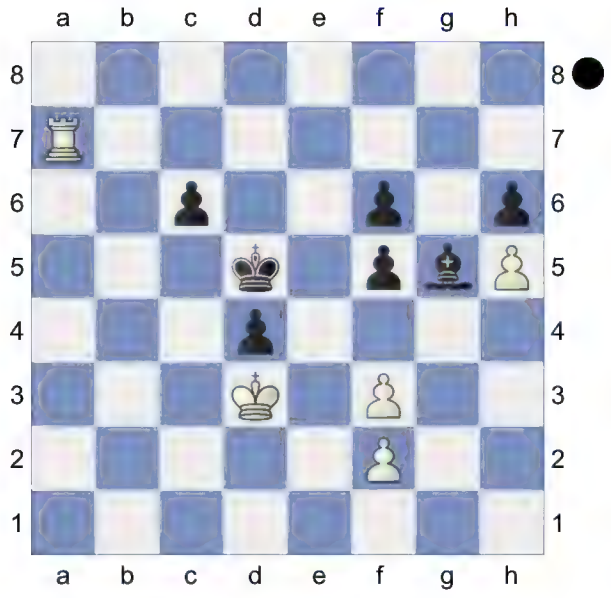


33...Qc3!-+
[33...Nxg3 34.fxg3 Qf8 35.Rb1±]
34.Rc1
[34.Nxf5 Rxf3 35.gxf3 Qxe1+ 36.Kg2 exf5 *(36...Bxe5? 37.Qxh6 exf5 38.Qf8-+; 36...Qxe5? 37.Qxe5 Bxe5 38.Nxh6-+)*]



34...Rxf3 35.gxf3 Bxe5 -2.35/31
[⌓35...Qxe5 -5.23/25 36.Qxe5 Remove Defender Bxe5 37.Nxf5 exf5]
36.Rxc3 Bxf4 37.Nxf5 exf5

Endgame KR-KB **38.Ra3 Kd6?** -0.01/30
[38...Bd6-+ -3.43/26 39.Rxa6 d4]
39.Rxa6= d4 40.Kf1! Kd5
[40...d3? 41.Ra3+-]
41.Ke2! Bg5 42.Ra7 f6 43.Kd3 -1.33/28
[43.Rd7+= 0.01/29 remains equal. Kc4 44.Rd6]



43...c5 0.01/27
[Black should play 43...Bf4!∓ -1.33/28]
44.Rd7+! The position is equal. **44...Ke5 45.Rc7 Kd6 46.Rc8 Kd5 47.Rd8+! Ke5 48.Rc8 Kd5** White happily takes the draw.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.45/ Black=0.50
49.Rd8+!
½-½

130 **C02**
□ **LevPaukman** **2552**
■ **andbraz** **2417**
Blitz 21.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec C02: French: Advance Variation
This game provides more success for Adorjan's 5...b5 **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.Qe2 Ne7 11.Kh1** -1.51/19
[11.Nd2!= -0.27/18 Nc6 12.Nf3 Qa4 13.b3 Qa5 14.a3 Bc5 15.Bb2 Qb6 16.b4 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Rac1 Ke7 19.Qd2 f6 20.exf6+ Bxf6 21.Rfe1 Qd6 22.Ng5 Be5 23.Nf3 Bf4 24.Qb2 Kf7 25.Rcd1 Rae8 26.g3 1-0 (30) Donaldson,J (2061)-8.00 d5 (2231) Malmoe/Kobenhavn 90/458 2004 (6.54)]
[11.Nc3 Nc6 12.Be3 Qxe5 13.f4 Qd6 14.f5 e5 15.Rad1 Be7 16.Bc4 d4 17.Ne4 Qc7 18.Bxf7+ Kxf7 19.Qh5+ Kg8 20.f6 Bxf6 21.Nxf6+ gxf6 22.Bh6 Qd6 23.Rd3 0-1 Bates,R (2357)-Hunt,H (2454) 4NCL Birmingham ENG 2000 (3)]
11...Nc6∓ 12.f4 Nb4! 13.Bb5

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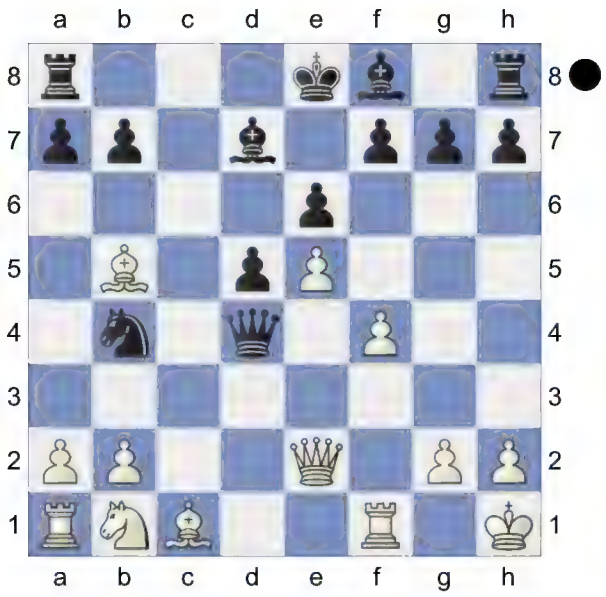
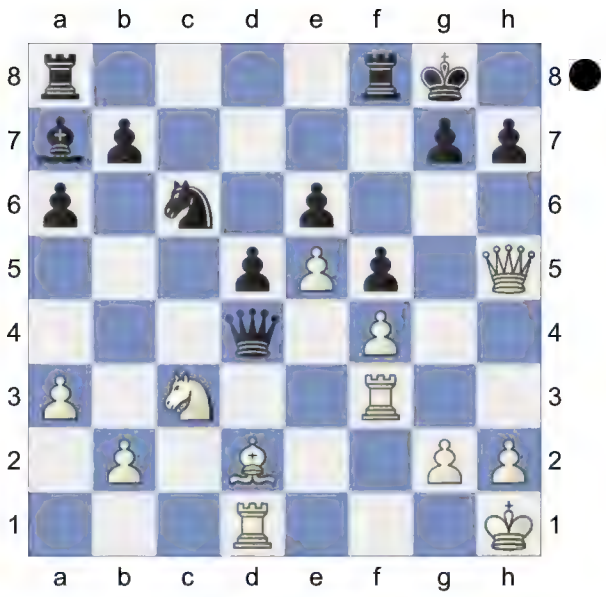


Bc6N 0.72/19
[13...0-0-0!-+ -1.62/19 14.Bxd7+ *(14.Nc3 Bc5 15.a3 Bxb5 16.Nxb5 Qd3* 10. 6. Bd3-Old Mainline 10. Qe2 2* *)* 14...Rxd7]
14.a3 -0.77/22
[14.Be3± 0.72/19 keeps the pressure on. Qe4 15.Nc3]
14...a6 15.Bxc6+ Nxc6 16.Nc3 -1.73/18
[16.Be3∓ -0.61/18 Qa4 17.Nc3]
16...Bc5-+ 17.Bd2 0-0 18.Rad1 Ba7 -0.99/18
[18...Rfd8-+ -1.80/16 19.Qh5 Bf8]
19.Qh5 -1.69/18
[19.Be1∓ -0.99/18 Qc4 20.Qxc4 dxc4 21.Bh4]
19...f5 20.Rf3

(Diagram)



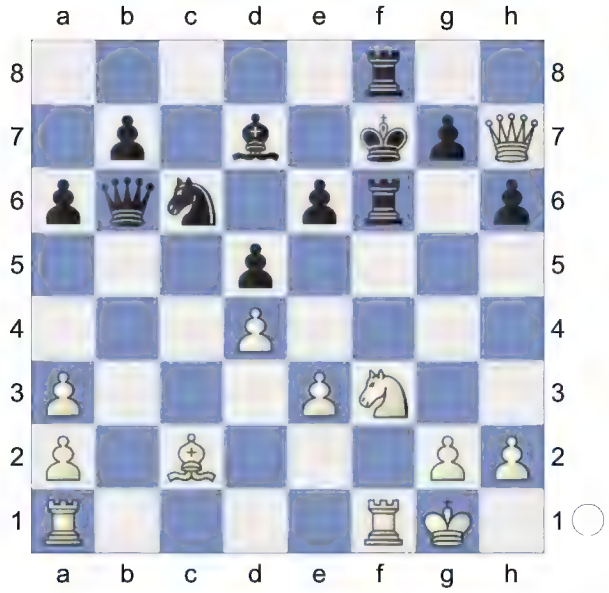
Qc4? 0.59/21
[20...g6!∓ -1.31/19 21.Qh6 Qc5]
21.Rg3? -1.93/18
[21.Rh3± 0.59/21 was the only good move.]
21...g6? 0.01/22
[21...Ne7-+ -1.93/18 Threatens to win with ...Rac8. 22.Rh3 h6]
22.Qh6? -2.34/19
[22.b3= 0.01/22 Qd3 *(22...Qxb3 23.Rb1=)* 23.Rxg6+ hxg6 24.Qxg6+ Kh8 25.Nxd5 *(25.Qh6+ Kg8=)* 25...exd5 26.Qh6+ Kg8 27.Qg6+ Kh8]
22...Rf7 23.h4 Rg7 -1.47/17
[23...Bf2-+ -2.93/18 24.Rf3 Bc5]
24.h5 -2.91/20
[24.Rc1∓ -1.47/17 was called for.]
24...Ne7 -1.19/18
[24...Bf2-+ -2.91/20 25.Rf3 Bc5]
25.Qg5 -3.57/18
[25.Rc1∓ -1.19/18]
25...Re8? -0.61/19
[25...h6-+ -3.57/18 26.Qxh6 d4]
26.Qf6 -4.43/20
[26.Rc1!∓ -0.61/19]
26...Rf7? 1.25/20
[26...d4-+ -4.43/20 27.Nb1 Nd5]

27.Qxe6± White is more active. **27...Qc6 28.Qxc6→** Black is in trouble. **28...bxc6 29.Na4** 0.78/19
[Better is 29.b4 1.23/19]
29...d4 1.37/18
[Black should play 29...c5 0.78/19]
30.Bb4 0.04/19
[30.Rc1± 1.37/18]
30...Nd5= 31.hxg6 hxg6 32.Rxg6+ Rg7 33.Rxg7+ Kxg7 34.g3 Rh8+ 35.Kg1 and Bc5 should not be overlookedWhite stays focused until the end. **35...d3+?** 6.59/26
[35...Nxb4= 0.13/21 36.axb4 Rb8]
36.Bc5+- Bxc5+ 37.Nxc5 Endgame KRN-KRN. White is a pawn up. **37...Rh3 38.Kg2**
[Not 38.Nxa6 Rxg3+ 39.Kf2 Re3±]
38...Ne3+ 39.Kxh3 Nxd1 40.Nxd3 KN-KN. White is two pawns up.
[40.Nxa6? too greedy. d2 *(40...Nxb2? 41.g4-+)* 41.Kg2 Nxb2-+ *(41...Ne3+? 42.Kf3-+)*]
40...Kf7 41.g4 fxg4+ 42.Kxg4 Ne3+ 43.Kf3 Nd5 44.Ke4 a5 45.f5 Nb6 46.Nc5 Nc4 47.Nd3? -0.01/18
[47.b3+- 22.01/27 Nb6 48.e6+ Kf6 49.Nd7+ Nxd7 50.exd7]
47...Ke7 19.61/31
[47...Nb6= -0.01/18 48.Nf4 Nc4]
48.Kd4 Nd2 49.Kc5 Kd7 50.e6+ Kc7 51.Ne5 Ne4+ 52.Kd4 Nd6 53.f6 White threatens f7 and mate. **53...c5+ 54.Kd5**
Weighted Error Value: White=1.16/ Black=1.33
54...c4
1-0

131 **C02**
□ **Crimean_hunter** **2538**
■ **notkevich** **2749**
Blitz 20.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

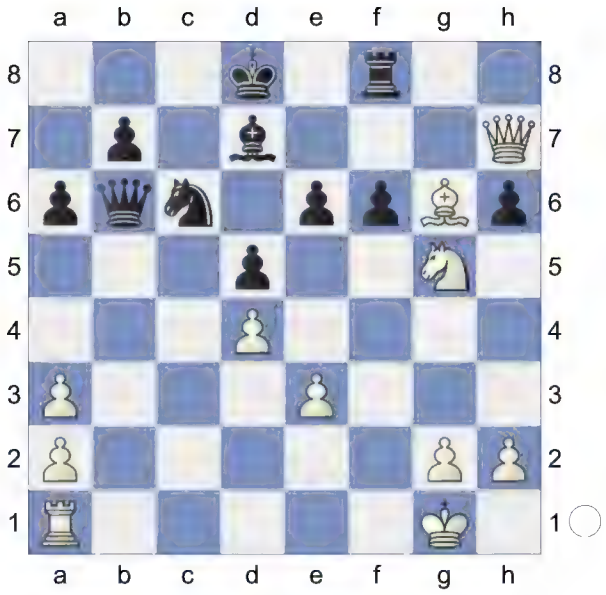
Blitz 3min C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 a6** 0.42/20
[7...Bd7= 0.01/19 8.Re1 a6 9.h4 Rc8 *(9...Nge7 10.Qe2 f6 11.exf6 gxf6 12.Nxd4 Nxd4 13.Qh5+ Kd8 14.cxd4 Qxd4 15.Bc2 Rc8 16.Nc3 Rg8 17.Qxh7 Qg4 18.g3 d4 19.Bd1 Qg6 20.Qxg6 Nxg6 21.Ne4 Ke7 22.Kh2 Kf7 23.Bh5 Kg7 24.Bd2* 4.f4 ♕a5 5.♗d2_38348 (2157)-Majoral Marco,J (2362) London 2023 1873 Vienna [John Watson] 0-1 (37)*)* 10.h5 h6 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Nb3 Nc4 15.Bxc4 dxc4 16.Nbd4 Ne7 17.Nh4 Nc6 18.Be3 Nxd4 19.Bxd4 Bc6 20.Qg4 Bd5 21.f4 Qe7 22.Rf1 Rg8 Gedajlovic,M (2403)-Nilsen,T (2219) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (31)]
8.cxd4± Bd7 9.Be2 White has an edge.
9...Nh6N 0.65/20
[Better is 9...Nge7= 0.14/20 10.Na3 Nf5 11.Nc2 Rc8 11. French Advance 4. c3-(46) Kooijmans vs. Ikonnikov]
10.Na3 -0.01/18
[10.Bxh6± 0.65/20 Qxb2 11.Nbd2! gxh6 12.Rb1 Qxa2 13.Rxb7]
10...Bxa3= 11.bxa3 Nf5 12.Be3 0-0 13.Bd3 Nxe3 14.fxe3 h6 15.Bc2 f5 1.12/21
[15...Rac8= -0.19/20 keeps the balance.]
16.exf6!± Rxf6? 2.79/23
[16...gxf6± 1.27/21 17.Nh4 *(17.Qd3 f5=)* 17...f5]

17.Qd3+- Raf8? 7.36/26
[17...g6 2.84/22 18.Nh4 Raf8 19.Nxg6 Rxf1+ 20.Rxf1 Rf5]
18.Qh7+ Kf7

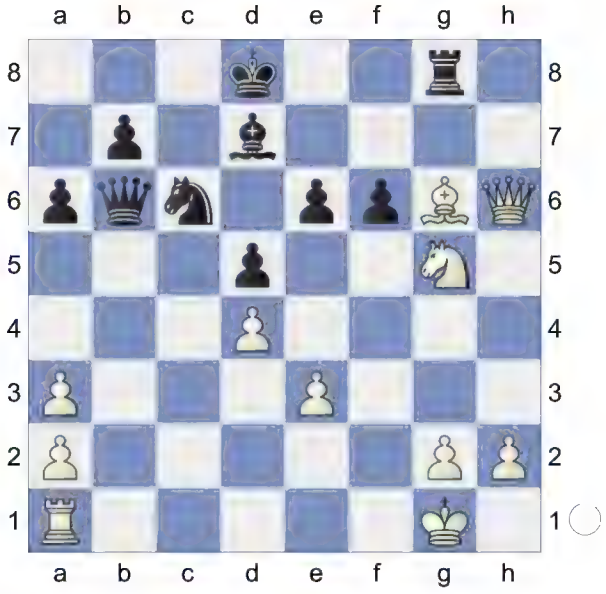


19.Ng5+! Ke8 Strongly threatening ... Rxf1+.
[19...hxg5 20.Rxf6+]
20.Bg6+ 2.61/23
[⌓20.Rxf6 4.65/24 gxf6 21.Rb1!]
20...Kd8 aiming for ...Rxf1+. **21.Rxf6 gxf6** 4.76/25
[21...Rxf6 2.30/26 was worth a try. 22.Qxg7 Rxg6 23.Nf7+ *(23.Qxg6 hxg5 24.Qxg5+ Ne7±)* 23...Kc7 24.Qxg6 Kb8]

(Diagram)

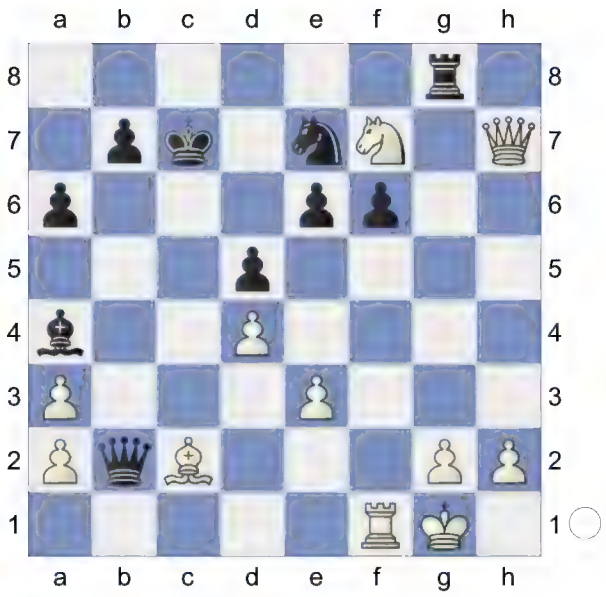


22.Qxh6! Rg8
[22...fxg5 23.Qxf8+]

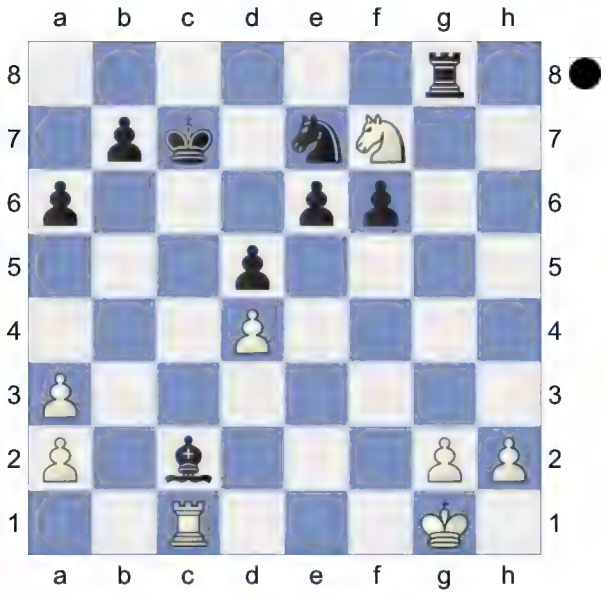


23.Qh7? 0.31/21 **Ne7± 24.Nf7+ Kc7 25.Bc2** next Nh6 is good for White.
25...Qb2 26.Rf1 -0.54/17
[26.Rb1= -0.06/22 might be stronger. Qxa3 27.Qh6]
26...Ba4? 5.33/19

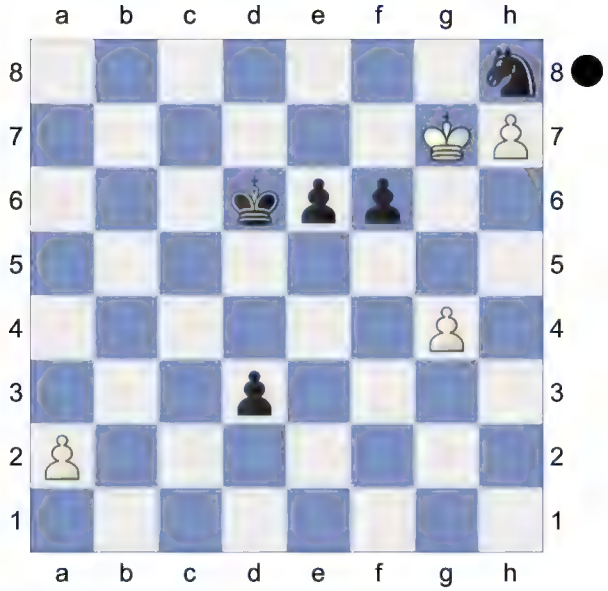
(Diagram)



27.Rf2?? -5.60/23
[27.Nh6!+- 5.33/19 is the narrow road to win. Rxg2+ *(27...Rd8 28.Qxe7+)* 28.Kxg2 Qxc2+ 29.Qxc2+ Bxc2 30.Rc1]
27...Qc1+-+ 28.Rf1 Qxe3+
[28...Qxc2 29.Qxc2+ Bxc2 30.Rc1∓]
29.Rf2 Qc1+
[Not 29...Bb5 30.g3∓]
30.Rf1 Qxc2 31.Qxc2+ Bxc2 32.Rc1



Rg7! 33.Rxc2+ Endgame KRN-KRN
33...Kd7 34.Nh6 Rg6 35.Nf7 Nf5 36.Rb2 b5 37.a4 Rg7 38.axb5 axb5
[Don't blunder 38...Rxf7? 39.bxa6 Kc6 40.Rd2-+]
39.Rxb5 Rxf7 KRN-KR **40.Rb7+ Ke8 41.Rb8+ Ke7 42.g4** Black must now prevent Rb7+. **42...Nxd4 43.Kf2 Rh7??** 4.24/20
[43...Kd6-+ -7.21/21 and life is good for Black. 44.h4 Rg7]
44.Kg3?? -7.28/20
[44.Rb7++- 4.24/20 Kd8 45.Rxh7]
44...Kd6 45.h4 Ke5 46.Ra8 Rb7 47.Ra3 Rc7 48.h5 Kd6 49.Ra6+ Rc6 50.Rxc6+ -9.78/25
[⌓50.Ra3 -5.05/19]
50...Nxc6 KN-K3P
[Weaker is 50...Kxc6 51.h6 Ne2+ 52.Kf3 Ng1+ 53.Ke3 d4+ 54.Kd3=]
51.h6 Ne7 52.Kh4 Ng6+ 53.Kh5 Nh8 And now ...d4 would win. **54.h7 d4 55.Kh6 d3 56.Kg7**



d2! 57.Kxh8 d1Q 58.Kg7 Qxg4+ 59.Kf7 Qh5+ 60.Kg7 Qxh7+ 61.Kxh7 KPP-KP **61...f5 62.Kg6 f4 63.Kg5 f3 64.Kf4 f2 65.Ke4 f1Q 66.Kd4 Qb5 67.Kc3 Qa4 68.Kb2 Kc5 69.a3 Kc4 70.Kc1 Qb3 71.Kd2 Qd3+** -12.45/5
[⌓71...Qf3 -#4/10 72.a4 Qf2+ 73.Kd1 Kd3 74.Kc1 Qc2#]

72.Ke1 Kc3 Black mates. **73.Kf2 Qd2+ 74.Kf3 e5 75.Ke4 Qd4+ 76.Kf5 Qa4 77.Ke6 Qxa3 78.Kxe5 Qb4 79.Kf5 Qc4 80.Kg5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.88/Black=0.74. An unexpected result.
½-½

132 **C02**
□ **Kulaots,Kaido** **2527**
■ **Rozen,Eytan** **2398**
22. ch-EUR Indiv 2022 (6.54) 01.04.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...a6 10.h5 h6 11.Nbd2 Rc8**
[11...dxc3 12.bxc3 Qc7 13.c4 *(13.Nb3 Nc8 14.Bf4 Na5 15.Nxa5 Qxa5 16.Qd2 Nb6 17.Rab1 Rc8 18.Qe2 Na4 19.Bd2 Qc7 20.Qe3 b5 21.Rbc1 Nb2 22.Nd4 Nxd3 23.Qxd3 Qc4 24.Qg3 Qxa2 25.Be3 Qc4 26.f4 Qd3 27.f5 Rxc3* Schmidt,M (2113)-Tiglon,B (2509) Karlsruhe GER 2024 [John Watson] 0-1 (39)) 13...Nb4 14.Bf1 dxc4 15.Nxc4 Ned5 16.Bb2 Bc5 17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Qd2 Qb6 19.Rab1 Qa7 20.Bd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qc5 22.a3 Nc6 23.Rxb7 Rd8 24.Nxc6 Bxc6 25.Rc1 Qxd6 26.exd6 Carlsen,M (2853)-Terry,R (2520) chess.com INT 2023 [John Watson] 1-0 (33)]
12.Nb3 dxc3 13.bxc3 Na5 14.Rb1N
[14.Be3 Qc7 15.Nc5 Nf5 16.Nxd7 Nxe3 17.Rxe3 Qxd7 18.Nd4 Nc4 19.Rg3 Nxe5 20.Be2 Nc6 21.Qa4 Rg8 22.Re1 Bd6 23.Re3 Nxd4 24.Qxd7+ Kxd7 25.cxd4 b5 26.Rf3 Ke7 27.Bd3 Rc3 28.Rb1 Rgc8 Ivanov,M (2344)-Ghimpu,S (2431) chess.com INT 2021 [John Watson] 0-1 (45) 29.g4 Ra3 30.Rb2 Rcc3 31.Rd2 Bc7 32.Kg2 Bb6 33.Be2 Rxf3 34.Bxf3 Ra4 35.Rc2 Rc4 36.Rxc4 bxc4 37.Kf1 Bxd4 38.Bd1 a5 39.f3 Be3 40.Ke2 Bf4 41.Bc2 d4 42.Bh7 d3+ 43.Kd1 Kd6 Jovanovic,A (2344)-Hansen,E (2431) Le Havre 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A] 0-1 (45)]
14...Nxb3 15.Rxb3 Qc7 16.Rb4 Inhibits Ba4. **16...Nc6 17.Rg4 Na5 18.Bd2 Bb5 19.Bxb5+ axb5 20.Nd4 Qb6** 0.50/20
[20...Qd7!= -0.01/21]
21.a4± bxa4 1.07/19
[21...Nc4± 0.68/21]
22.Qxa4+± Nc6 23.Ra1 White has strong compensation. &Bianco is much more active. The black rooks are badly placed. **23...Qa6** Strongly threatening ... Qxa4. **24.Qd1 Qb6 25.Rb1 Qc7 26.Bf4** 0.79/20
[⌓26.Be3 1.11/21]
26...Qd7
[26...Nxe5? 27.Bxe5 Qxe5 28.Qa4+ b5 29.Qxb5+ Ke7 30.Nc6+ Rxc6 31.Qxc6+-]
27.Qd3 0.48/19
[27.Nxc6± 0.81/22 Qxc6 28.Be3]
27...Na5± 28.Qg3 Rh7 29.Bc1 Nc4 30.f4 Ra8 1.21/20
[30...Qc7± 0.51/18]
31.f5± fxe6 is the strong threat. **31...exf5** 1.16/20
[31...Kd8!± 0.65/21]

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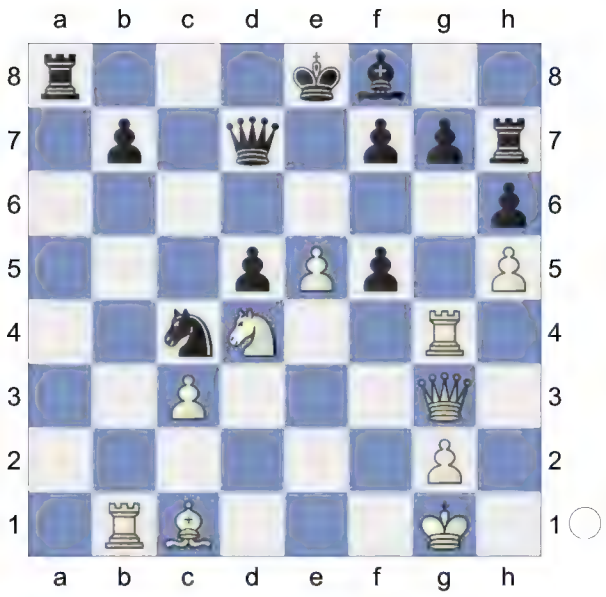
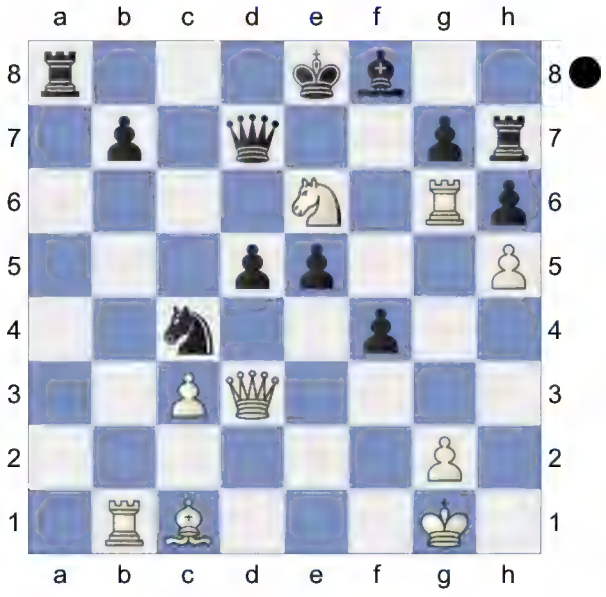


32.e6? -0.43/20 **fxe6∓ 33.Rg6** -1.17/22
[White should try 33.Rf4∓ -0.47/22 Rh8 34.Qg6+ Ke7 35.Nxe6]
33...e5 -0.12/21
[33...Bc5∓ -1.17/22 Threatens to win with ...e5. 34.Kh1 Bxd4 35.cxd4 Kf7]
34.Ne6= f4 -0.08/21
[Black should play 34...Kf7!∓ -0.60/18 35.Qh3 Kg8 36.Qxf5 Kh8]
35.Qd3 -1.57/20
[35.Bxf4= -0.08/21 exf4 36.Qxf4]



35...Kf7!∓ 36.Bxf4 -2.75/20
[⌓36.Qf5+ -1.61/20 Kg8 37.Nxg7 Qxf5 38.Nxf5+ Kh8 39.g3]
36...exf4-+ 37.Rf1 Ne5? 1.34/23
[37...Kg8-+ -3.60/21 38.Rxf4 Bd6 39.Qxd5 Ne3]
38.Qf5+± Kg8 39.Qxe5 Bd6? 9.27/20
Loses the game.
[39...b6± 1.13/19]
40.Qxd5+- Qc6 41.Qd4 Kf7 42.Nxf4 Ra5 43.Rxd6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.53
1-0

133 **C02**
□ **Alsina Leal,Daniel** **2520**
■ **Chow,Samuel** **2332**
BCF-chT 2223 (4NCL) (1.4) 22.10.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0! outshines the older 7.cxd4.erfolgreicher als das alte 7.cxd4. **7...Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8** 0.42/18
[8...Nh6= 0.05/17]
9.Nbd2!± White is slightly better.
9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Na5

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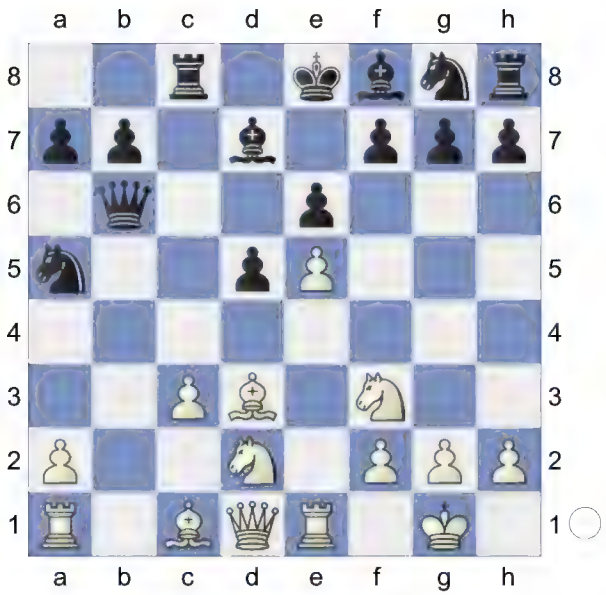
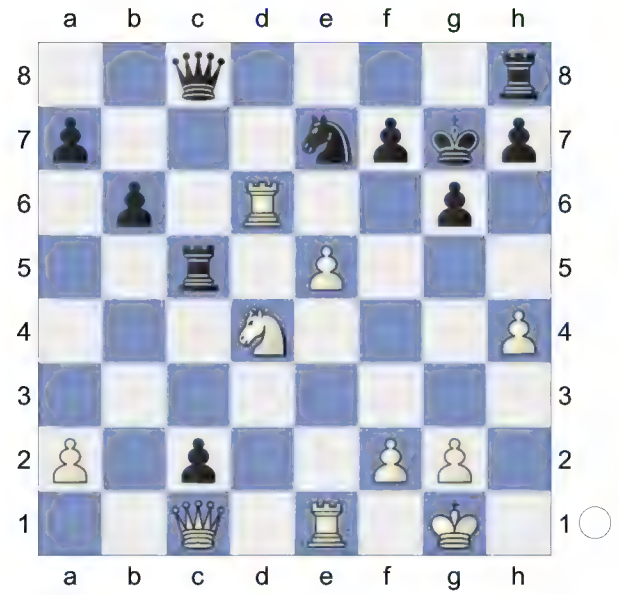


11.c4N -0.44/20
[11.Rb1
A) 11...Qc7 12.Nb3 *(12.c4 Nxc4 13.Bxc4 dxc4 14.Ne4 Bc6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qd8 17.Ne5* VI.G) French Defence 5... Qb6-8...Rc8 #2*)* 12...Nc4 13.Nbd4 a6 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.Ng5 Bc6 16.Nxc6 Qxc6 17.Ne4 Rd8 18.Qf3 Rd5 19.Be3 Rb5 20.a4 Rxb1 21.Rxb1 f5 22.Nd6+ Bxd6 23.Qxc6+ bxc6 24.exd6 Kd7 25.Rb8 Kxd6 26.f4 1-0 (55) Rojas Salas,S (2223)-Ticona Rocabado,L (2322) Cusco zt 2.4 2025 (7);
B) 11...Qd8 12.Nd4 Rxc3 13.N2f3 a6 14.Ng5 g6 15.Qf3 Nh6 16.h4 Nc6 17.Nxc6 Bxc6 18.Bb2 Rxd3 19.Qxd3 Nf5 20.g3 d4 21.Ne4 Be7 22.Ba3 0-0 23.Bxe7 Qxe7 24.Nf6+ Kg7 25.h5 Rd8 1-0 (51) Shirov,A (2647)-Tejedor Fuente,E (2408) CAMPEONATO DE ESPAÑA INDIVIDUAL ABSOLU 2024 (9)]
11...dxc4 0.77/21
[11...Nxc4∓ -0.44/20 keeps the upper hand. 12.Rb1 Qa6]
12.Bc2 Ne7? 1.97/20
[12...Qa6± 0.42/20]
13.Ba3? -0.15/18
[White should play 13.Rb1+- 1.97/20 Qa6 14.Ng5]
13...Nd5 0.31/19
[13...Bc6= -0.15/18]
14.Bxf8!± Kxf8
[14...Rxf8 15.Ne4±]
15.Ne4 Qd8 0.50/18
[15...h6= 0.06/18]
16.Nd6 0.08/18
[16.Rc1!± 0.50/18]
16...Rc7 0.57/19
[16...Rc5= 0.08/18]
17.Nd4 Qe7! 18.N4f5 Deflection
18...exf5 19.Qxd5 Nc6 20.Bxf5
[20.Nxc4? Nb4 21.Qd2 Nxc2 *(21...Rxc4? 22.Bb3-+)* 22.Qxc2 Be6-+]
[20.Qxc4 g6=]
20...Be6 1.07/21
[20...Bxf5± 0.42/20 21.Nxf5 Qd7 *(21...Qe6 22.Qc5+ Kg8 23.Nd4±)* 22.Qc5+ *(22.Qxc4? Qxf5 23.e6 g6-+; 22.Nd6 Qe6±)* 22...Kg8]
21.Bxe6± Qxe6 22.Qc5
[22.Qxc4?! Qxc4 23.Nxc4 g6=]
22...b6 1.98/20
[22...Kg8!± 0.69/18]
23.Qa3+- White has strong compensation. **23...Ne7?** 4.82/18
[23...Kg8± 1.08/18]
24.Rad1 g6 25.Nb5 Rc5 26.Rd6
[26.Nxa7 Nf5=]
26...Qc8 7.44/21
[⌓26...Qf5 4.58/21]
27.Nd4? 1.71/19
[27.Nxa7 Qf5±]
[27.e6 7.44/21]
27...c3? 5.19/20
[27...Kg7 1.71/19 is more resistant.]
28.Qc1? 0.01/23

[28.Qxa7 c2 29.Rc1 *(29.Qxb6? c1Q-+)* 29...Qg4 30.Nxc2 *(30.Rxc2? Qd1#)* 30...Qg5∓]
[28.e6!+- 5.19/20]
28...c2 0.44/23
[28...Kg7= 0.01/23]
29.h4 0.01/23
[29.e6± 0.44/23 feels stronger.]
29...Kg7=

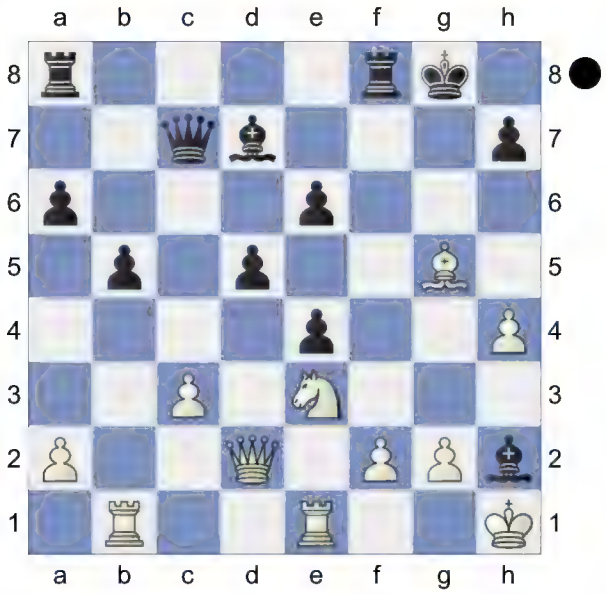


30.h5! Re8
[30...gxh5? 31.Qh6+ Kg8 32.Nxc2+- *(32.Qxh5? c1Q-+)*]
31.h6+ Kg8 aiming for ...Qc7. **32.e6** Threatens to win with exf7+. **32...Nf5** **33.Nxf5 Rxf5 34.e7** White threatens Qb2 and mate.
[34.Qb2!? f6□ 35.Rc1 Rxe6 *(35...Qc5 36.Rd2=)* 36.Qb3= *(36.Qxc2?* perishes. *Rc5-+; 36.Rxc2? Re1+ 37.Kh2 Qf8-+)*]
34...Qc5⇄ Black has counterplay **35.Rd2** The board is on fire. Active counter play!
35...Re5
[Inferior is 35...Rxe7 36.Rd8+ *(36.Rxc2 Qxc2 37.Qxc2 Rxe1+ 38.Kh2 Rh5+ 39.Kg3 Rg5+ 40.Kh2 Re8=)*]
36.Rxe5 Qxe5 37.Rxc2 Rxe7 32.64/28
[37...Qxe7= 0.01/25 38.Qf4 Qd8]
38.Rc8++- Re8
Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/ Black=0.89
39.Qc3
1-0

134 **C02**
□ **Sokolovsky,Yahli** **2516**
■ **Aryan Chopra** **2632**
57. International Chess Festival Biel (ra..
[Kitty Kat]

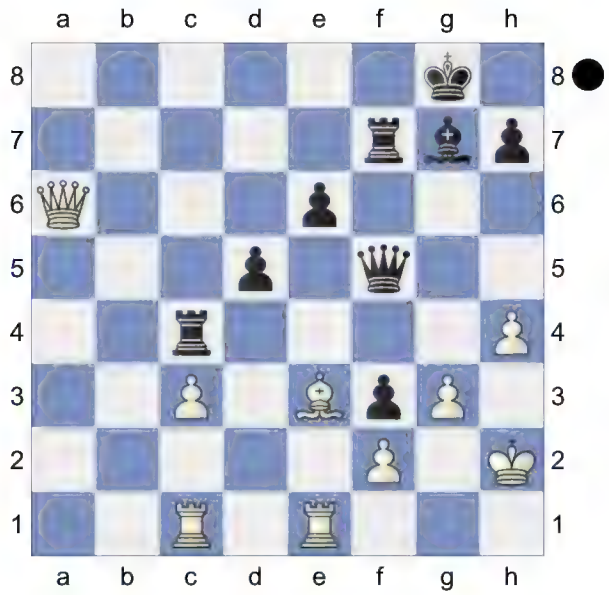
C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...a6 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Ng6 12.Nb3 Qc7 13.Qe2 f6 14.exf6 gxf6 15.Rb1**
[15.Qc2 0-0-0 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.Qxg6 Bd6 18.Qxf6 Rdf8 19.Qg7 e5 20.Bg5 e4 21.Nfd4 Be5 22.Qg6 Nxd4 23.Nxd4 Bxd4 24.cxd4 Bf5 25.Qxf5+ Rxf5 26.Rac1 Rf7 27.Rxc7+ Rxc7 28.g4 Rf7 29.Kg2 Rg8 Matta,V (2111)-Coles,R (2167) Biel 2023 0-1 (54)]
15...Bd6
[15...0-0-0!?]
16.Nbd4 Nce5N
[16...e5 17.Nf5 Bc5 18.Ng7+ Kf7 19.Nh5 #23 8) Advance of the French-4...Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6]
17.Bh6 -0.62/20
[17.Nxe5= 0.01/20 fxe5 18.Bxg6+ hxg6 19.Qg4]
17...Nxd3∓
[17...Qxc3 18.Rb3 Qc5 19.Bxg6+ *(19.Rxb7 Rg8±)* 19...hxg6 20.Bg7 Nxf3+ 21.Nxf3+-]
18.Qxd3 Ne5
[18...e5!? 19.Nf5 0-0-0=]

19.Nxe5 -0.89/20
[19.Qe2!= 0.20/20 remains equal.]
19...fxe5∓
[19...Bxe5 20.f4 Bxd4+ 21.cxd4±]
20.Bg5 -1.65/21 **0-0** -1.04/19
[Black should try 20...exd4-+ -1.65/21 21.Qf3 Bc8 22.cxd4 Rf8 23.Qxd5 Kf7]
21.Nc2 e4↑ White is under strong pressure. **22.Qd2 b5 23.Ne3 Bh2+ 24.Kh1**



Black must now prevent g3. **24...Bf4** &Nero is more active. **25.g3 Be5 26.Ng4 Bg7**
[Weaker is 26...Bxc3 27.Rec1 Rac8 28.Qd1∓]
27.Rbc1 Be8 28.Bf4 Qe7 29.Bg5 Qb7 30.Be3 -2.09/19
[30.Kg1∓ -1.56/16]
30...Bh5 31.Nh2 Qf7 32.Kg1 Qf5 And now ...Qh3 would win. **33.Kg2** Against Qh3+ **33...Rf7 34.a4** -2.49/20
[⌓34.Rg1 -1.90/18]
34...bxa4-+ 35.Qa2 Rc8 36.Qxa4 Rc4 Chess con chili. **37.Qxa6** -#7/15
[37.Qe8+-+ -2.21/17 Rf8 38.Qe7]
37...Bf3+ Black mates. **38.Nxf3 exf3+**
[Worse is 38...Qxf3+ 39.Kg1∓]

39.Kh2



Rxh4+!! Weighted Error Value: White=0.43/Black=0.06 (flawless)
0-1

135 **C02**
□ **Alsina Leal,Daniel** **2510**
■ **Wadsworth,Matthew J** **2470**
4NCL 2023 - 2024 | Division 1 (9) 4.5.24
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 h6**
[8...Nge7 9.h4 Rc8 10.a3 a6 11.b4 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nxb4 13.Be3 Qd8 14.axb4 Rxc3 15.Bc5 Nc6 16.Bxf8 Kxf8 17.Qd2 Rb3 18.b5 axb5 19.Qc2 Rb4 20.Qc5+ Qe7 21.Ra8+ Be8 22.Qb6 g6 23.h5 Osmak,I (2449)-Bon,M (2392) Chess.com INT 2023 ½-½ (34)]
9.Nbd2N
[9.h4 a6 *(9...g5 10.hxg5 hxg5 11.Nxg5 Bg7 12.Bf4 Qxb2 13.Nd2 dxc3 14.Rb1 Qa3 15.Ndf3 Nb4 16.Nd4 Ne7 17.Nb5 Bxb5 18.Bxb5+*

Nec6 19.Qg4 Bf8 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Qxe6+ Kd8 22.Bxc6 bxc6 23.Qf6+ Kc7 24.Qxh8 Georgescu,V (2341)-Schmitt,C (2450) Swedish League 2023 1873 Vienna [John Watson] 1-0*)* 10.a3 dxc3 11.Nxc3 Bc5 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 d4 14.Na4 Qa7 15.Re4 b5 16.Rg4 g6 17.Qc2 bxa4 18.Bxg6 Nge7 19.Be4 Rc8 20.Qd2 Qb8 21.Rd1 Rd8 22.Qf4 Nf5 23.Bxf5 exf5 Kurchenko,E (2125)-Gitelson,A (2187) Novorossijsk 2023 0-1 (37) 24.Rg3 Be6 25.h5 Qxb2 26.Qh4 Qc2 27.Rd2 Qe4 28.Qf6 Rf8 29.Rh3 Rg8 30.Kh1 Qg4 31.Rg3 Qxh5+ 32.Rh3 Qg6 33.Rg3 Qxf6 34.Rxg8+ Kd7 35.exf6 Rxg8 36.Nxd4 Nxd4 37.Rxd4+ Kc6 0-1 (37) Rajtar,J (2125)-Russian Variation,H (2187) Rethymnon 88/297 2023 Inf33 [John Watson]]

9...Nge7 10.Nb3 dxc3 11.bxc3 Nf5 0.40/19

[11...Na5= 0.04/16]

12.Rb1± Qc7 13.Bxf5 exf5 14.Nbd4 aiming for e6. **14...Be6 15.Qb3** -0.26/20

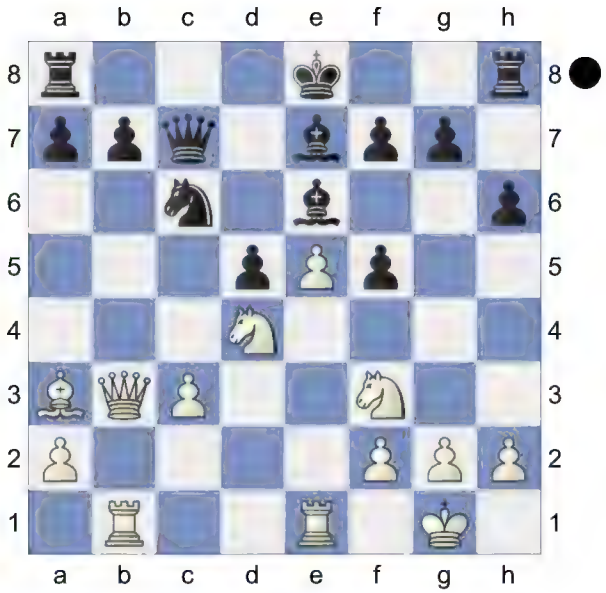
[15.Qd3± 0.31/17]

15...Be7 0.19/20

[15...b6 -0.26/20 might be stronger.]

16.Ba3

(Diagram)



Hoping for Nb5. **16...0-0**

[16...Nxd4 is more complex. 17.Nxd4 0-0 18.Bxe7 Qxe7 19.Qxb7 Qxb7 20.Rxb7 Rfc8]

17.Bxe7 Qxe7

[17...Nxd4 feels hotter. 18.Nxd4 Qxe7 19.Qxb7 Qxb7 20.Rxb7 Rfc8]

18.Qxb7 Qxb7 19.Rxb7 Rfc8 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Reb1 Nd8 22.Rd7 Rxc3 23.h4 g6 0.40/21

[23...Rac8= -0.01/21]

24.a4 Rac8 25.Rxa7 0.01/22

[25.Kh2± 0.43/22]

25...Rc1+!= 26.Rxc1 Rxc1+ Endgame KRN-KRN **27.Kh2 Nc6 28.Ra8+ Kg7 29.a5 Rc4! 30.a6** Rb8! is the strong threat. **30...Ra4 31.g3 d4 32.Rc8** -0.60/24

[32.a7= 0.01/22]

32...Rxa6∓ 33.Rc7+ Kf8 34.Rd7 Ra5 Threatens to win with ...Rd5. **35.Nxd4 Nxd4**

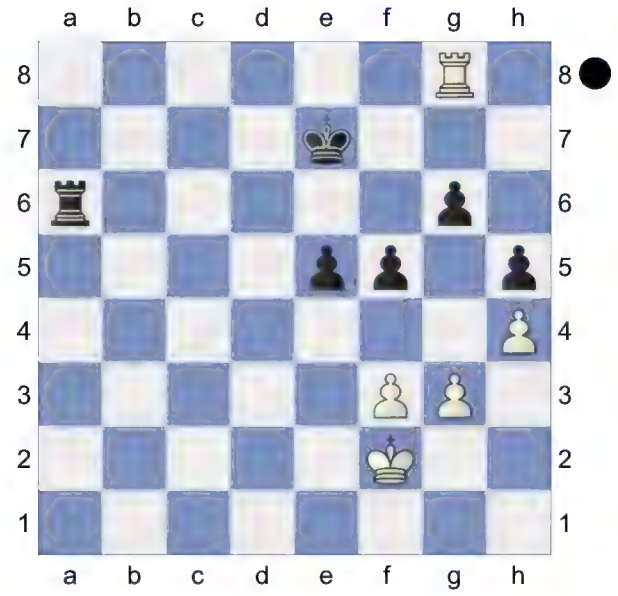
[But not 35...Nxe5 36.Nxe6+ Ke8 37.Rh7=]

36.Rxd4 Rxe5 KR-KR **37.Rd7 Rd5 38.Ra7 e5** -0.08/24

[38...Kg8∓ -0.53/22 is superior.]

39.f3 -0.52/24

[39.Ra6= -0.08/24]
39...h5 40.Kg2 Rd6 41.Kf2 Re6 42.Rb7 Re7 43.Rb6 Kf7 44.Ra6 Re6 45.Ra7+ Kf6 46.Ra8 Rb6 47.Re8 Ra6 48.Rf8+ Ke7 49.Rg8 Kf7 50.Rb8 Ra2+ 51.Kf1 Ra6 -0.01/23
[51...Rd2∓ -0.41/25]
52.Kf2!= Ke7 -0.01/24
[52...Rd6∓ -0.45/25]
53.Rg8!



Ra2+ -0.47/26
[53...e4!∓ -0.85/26]
54.Kf1 Kf6 55.Rf8+ Ke6 56.Rg8! Kf7 0.01/24
[56...Ra1+!∓ -0.49/26 57.Ke2 Kf7]
57.Rb8! Rd2 58.Rb6 Rd4 59.Kf2 Rd2+ 0.01/24
[Black should play 59...e4∓ -0.58/26]
60.Kf1! Rd4 -0.01/24
[60...Rd8∓ -0.45/26]
61.Kf2! f4 62.gxf4 Rxf4 63.Kg3 Rf6 64.Rb4 Re6 65.Re4 Kf6 66.f4 Kf5 -0.01/29
[Black should try 66...exf4+!∓ -0.66/28 67.Rxf4+ Ke5]
67.Kf3 Re8 68.Rxe5+ Rxe5
Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.10 (very precise)
½-½

136 **C02**
□ **Gorodetzky,David** **2492**
■ **Andreikin,Dmitry** **2729**
Titled Tue 17. Jan Early (5) 17.01.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 is now more promising than 7.cxd4. im Vergleich zu 7.cxd4 vielversprechender. **7...Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Rc8** 0.45/20
[8...Nh6= -0.01/19]
9.a3 -0.13/20
[9.Nbd2!± 0.45/20]
9...Nge7 0.28/21
[⌓9...a6 -0.13/20]
10.h4
[10.h3 h6 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Qe2 Nec6 15.c4 dxc4 16.Bc2 b5 17.Rxb5 c3 18.Ne4 a6 19.Rb1 Nxe5 20.Bf4 Nac6 21.Nxe5 Nxe5 22.Red1 Bb5 23.Rxb5 axb5 24.Qxb5+ Qc6 1-0 (25) aspiringstar (2966)-Anya6 (2821) Blitz 2023]
10...g6N An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante.
[10...a6 11.b4 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nxb4 13.Be3 Qd8 14.axb4 Rxc3 15.Bc5 Nc6 16.Bxf8 Kxf8 17.Qd2 Rb3 18.b5 axb5 19.Qc2 Rb4 20.Qc5+ Qe7 21.Ra8+ Be8 22.Qb6 g6 23.h5 Kg7 24.Qe3 h6 25.hxg6 ½-½ (34) Osmak,I (2449)-Born,M (2392) Titled Tuesday intern op 17th Jan Early blitz 2023 (5)]

[10...h6 11.h5 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Na5 13.Rb1 Nb3 14.Be3 d4 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Qa5 17.b4 Qd8 18.Nb5 Nc6 19.Bxa7 Be7 20.Bc5 0-0 21.Nd6 Rb8 22.b5 Na5 23.Qg4 b6 24.Qe4 g6 25.hxg6 1-0 (29) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Hayrapetyan,E (2137) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early blitz 2025 (4)]

11.b4 Bg7 0.52/20

[11...dxc3= -0.01/21 12.Nxc3 Nd4]

12.b5 -0.01/19

[12.Bb2!± 0.52/20]

12...Na5= 13.Nxd4 Nc4 0.85/22

[13...0-0= -0.03/19 keeps the balance.]

14.Bxc4±

[Vorgänger: 14.Bf4 0.12/20 14.Bxc4 0.80 Nf5 0.70/20 *(Black should try 14...Nb2=* 0.12/20 *15.Qc2 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Qa5)* 15.Bxf5± gxf5 1.09/21 *(15...exf5±* 0.48/21 *16.h5 Bf8)* 16.a4 0.63/21 *(16.Nd2±* 1.09/21 *)* 16...Qc5!± 17.Qh5 0.25/22 *(17.Ra2±* 0.68/21 deserves consideration.*)* 17...Kf8? 2.07/20 *(17...0-0!=* 0.25/22 and Black has nothing to worry.*)* 18.Nd2+- Nxd2 19.Bxd2 Hoping for g4. h6 20.Re3 1-0 (33) Rahmanidis, P (2191)-Schroeder,J (2563) Kavala 2022]

14...dxc4 2.20/21

[14...Rxc4± 0.36/21 15.a4 0-0]

15.a4+- Nd5 2.55/20

[⌓15...0-0 1.69/20 16.h5 f6]

16.Ba3 Qd8? 3.54/20

[16...Bf8 2.02/19 17.Bxf8 Kxf8]

17.Qf3? 1.07/21

[17.Nd2+- 3.54/20 is more deadly.]

17...Qxh4± 18.Nd2 Qf4 19.Qxf4 0.89/20

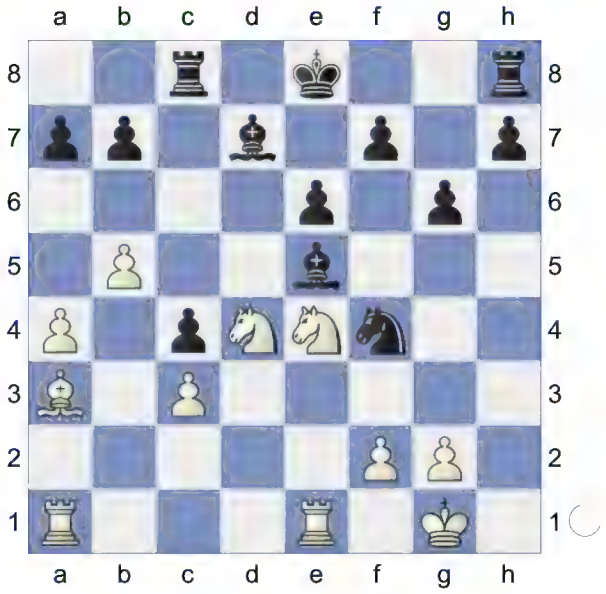
[White should play 19.Ne4 1.31/24 Bf8 *(19...Bxe5 20.g3±)* 20.Nf6+ Kd8 21.Bxf8 *(21.Nxd5 Qxf3 22.Nxf3 exd5±; 21.Qxf4 Nxf4 22.Bxf8 Rxf8±)* 21...Rxf8 22.Nxd5 *(22.Nxh7 Qxf3 23.Nxf3 Rh8=; 22.Qxf4 Nxf4 23.Re4 Nd3±)* 22...Qxf3 23.Nxf3 *(23.gxf3 exd5 24.Kg2 Rh8∓)* 23...exd5 24.Nd4]

19...Nxf4 20.Ne4 0.83/20

[⌓20.Re4 1.22/21 Nd5 21.Ne2]

20...Bxe5 5.44/22

[20...Bf8± 0.83/20 is a better chance.]



21.Bd6? -0.58/23

[21.Nf3!+- 5.44/22 Bb8 22.Nf6+ Kd8 23.Ng5]

21...Bxd6∓

[21...Bxd4?! 22.Bxf4 Bg7 23.Red1±]

22.Nxd6+ A dynamic duo of knights.

22...Ke7 23.Nxc8+ Rxc8 Black converts the advantage convincingly. **24.Rad1** -1.53/21

[24.Re4∓ -0.34/23 Nd5 25.Rc1]

24...f6 -0.73/23

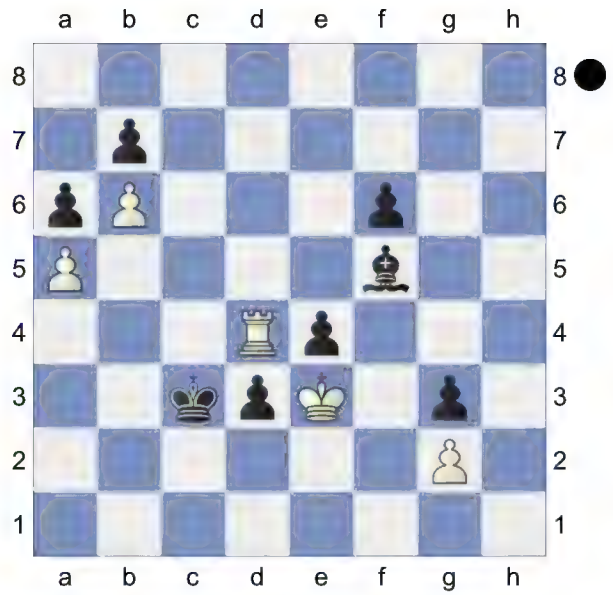
[⌓24...Rc5 -1.53/21 25.Nf3 Nd5]

25.Rd2 -2.18/23

[25.g3∓ -0.73/23 Nd3 26.Re4]

25...e5 26.Nc2 Nd3 Prevents Nb4.
27.Rb1 Bf5 28.Ne3 -2.46/21
[⌓28.f3 -1.88/22]
28...Be6 29.Nd1 -3.27/22
[29.Nc2 -1.98/21]
29...h5 30.f3 h4 -1.80/19
[⌓30...g5 -3.17/21 Threatens to win with ...g4. 31.Kh2 Rg8]
31.Nf2-+ Bf5 32.Nxd3 -4.83/22
[32.Rbd1 -1.95/21 was worth a try.]
32...cxd3 Endgame KRR-KRB **33.Rb3 g5 34.Kf2 Rc4 35.a5 Kd6 36.Ke3 Kc5 37.Rdb2** -6.53/24
[⌓37.Rd1 -4.56/23 Ra4 38.a6]
37...g4 38.fxg4? -9.62/23
[38.Rb4 -3.63/21 gxf3 *(38...Rxc3 39.fxg4 Bd7 40.Re4∓)* 39.gxf3]
38...Rxg4 39.Rf2 Rg3+
[39...Kc4 40.Rb1=]
40.Rf3 Kc4 41.Rxg3 hxg3 KR-KB
[41...Kxb3 42.Rf3 Bd7 *(42...Bg4 43.Rxf6 Kxc3 44.Rf7±)* 43.Kd2± *(43.Kxd3 Bxb5+ 44.Kd2 Bc6±)*]
42.Ra3 e4? -2.94/21
[Not 42...Kxb5 43.Ra1=]
[42...Bh7 -8.01/23 43.Ra4+ Kxc3 44.Ra3+ Kb4]
43.b6? -8.05/23
[43.Kd2 -2.94/21 Kxb5 44.Rb3+ Kc6 *(44...Kxa5 45.Rxb7 Bg4 46.Rxa7+ Kb5 47.Rb7+ Kc5 48.Ke3=)* 45.Rb4]
43...a6 44.Ra4+ Kxc3 45.Rd4

(Diagram)

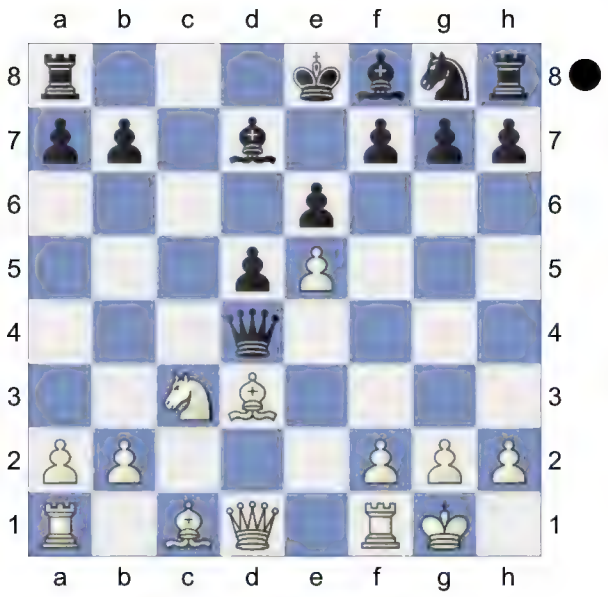


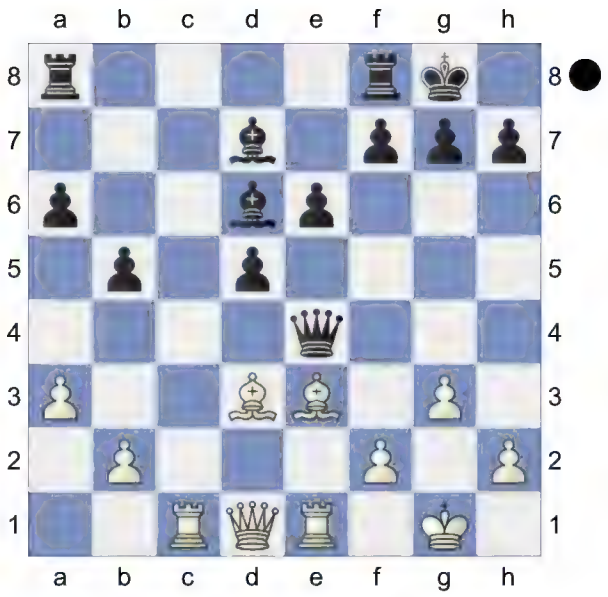
Bh3! Promotion **46.Kxe4**
[46.Rd6 f5]
46...Bxg2+ 47.Ke3 Bf1 (-> ...f5) **48.Rd7 g2 49.Rc7+ Kb4 50.Rg7 Kxa5 51.Rg6 Kxb6 52.Rxf6+ Ka5 53.Kf2 b5 54.Rg6 b4 55.Ke3 Kb5 56.Rg5+ Ka4 57.Kd2 a5** (-> ...Ka3) **58.Kc1 Kb3 59.Rg3**
Weighted Error Value: White=1.26/ Black=0.89
59...a4
0-1

137 **C02**
□ **BananaBush** **2491**
■ **thickgreenphlegm** **2594**
Blitz 20.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.Nc3 Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Qxd4 10.0-0

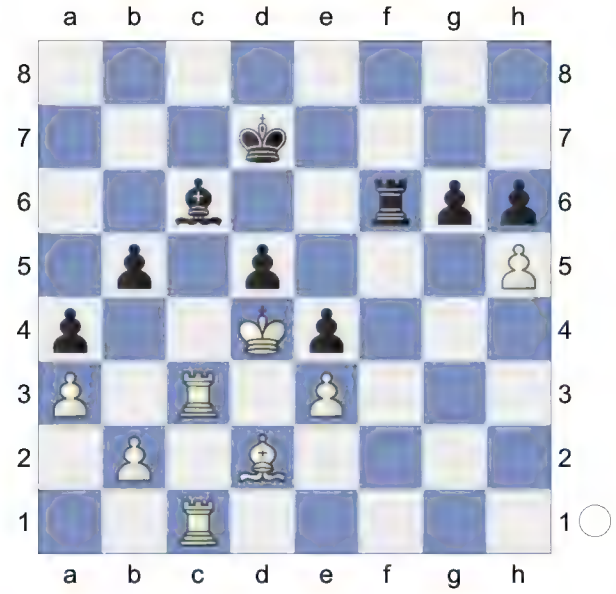
(Diagram)





a6!
[10...Qxe5 11.Re1 Qc7 12.Nxd5=]
11.Be3 -1.86/17
[11.Re1∓ -0.36/16]
[11.Qf3 Ne7 12.Rd1 Qxe5 13.Bf4 Qf6 14.Qg3 Ng6 15.Bg5 Qe5 16.f4 Bc5+ 17.Kh1 Qe3 18.Bxg6 hxg6 19.Qg4 f5 20.Nxd5 fxg4 21.Nxe3 Bxe3 22.Rd3 Bf2 0-1 14.♗f4 ♖ac8 16.c4_24264 (2302)-Arkell,S (2178) Wijk aan Zee 2001 (9)]
11...Qxe5-+ 12.Re1 Nf6 13.Rc1N Black is clearly better.
[13.Qc2 d4 14.f4 Qd6 15.f5 dxe3 16.Rxe3 Qb6 17.Qf2 Bc5 18.Na4 Bxa4 19.Qf3 Bxe3+ 20.Kh1 Bc6 21.fxe6 Bxf3 0-1 Incekara,A (1164)-Iglesia (1802) Dublin 1993 (1)]
13...Bd6? 0.01/18
[13...Rc8-+ -1.84/16 14.a3 h6]
14.g3!= Qh5 15.Qb3 -3.67/18
[15.Qxh5= 0.01/21 Nxh5 16.Nxd5]
15...b5 -1.64/19
[⌓15...Ng4 -3.67/18 16.h4 Bc6]
16.Be2-+ Qf5 17.Qd1 0-0 18.a3 Ne4 19.Nxe4 Qxe4 20.Bd3 -1.95/20
[20.Bxb5∓ -1.43/19 Bxb5 21.Bc5]
20...Qa4! 21.Bc2 Qa5 22.Bd4 Rac8? -0.01/18
[Better is 22...Qd8-+ -1.96/18 23.Qd3 f5]
23.Qd3? -2.16/18
[23.Bxh7+!= -0.01/18 and White is okay. Kxh7 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Bxg7 Qxe1+ *(25...Kxg7 26.Qg5+ Kh7 27.Qh5+ Kg7 28.Qg5+ Kh7 29.Qh5+ Kg7=)* 26.Rxe1 Kxg7 27.Qg4+ *(27.Qg5+ Kh7=)* 27...Kh6 28.Qh4+ Kg6 29.Qg4+ Kh6 *(29...Kf6 30.Qh4+ Kg6 31.Qg4+ Kh6 32.Qh4+ Kg6=)*]
23...f5 24.Qe3 and Bb6 would now be decisive **24...Rc4?** 0.53/17
[24...Qd8-+ -2.14/18 Strongly threatening ...f4. 25.Bb1 Rxc1 26.Rxc1 f4]
25.Bb6→ White attacks. Black is now going downhill. **25...f4?** 4.54/21
26.gxf4+- Bxf4
[26...d4 27.Bxh7+ Kf7 *(27...Kh8? 28.Qh3+-)* 28.Bxd4 *(28.Bxa5 dxe3 29.fxe3 Ke7±)* 28...Rxc1 29.Rxc1+-]
27.Bxa5 Bxe3 28.fxe3
[Not 28.Rxe3 d4 29.Rh3 h5∓]
28...Rfc8 29.Bc3 a5 30.Bd3 R4c7

31.Bd2 a4 32.Kf2 e5 33.h4 e4 34.Be2 Bc6 35.Kg3 Kf7 36.Rc3 Ke6 37.Bg4+ Kd6 38.Bxc8 Rxc8 39.Rec1 Kd7 40.Kf4 Rf8+ 41.Ke5 Rf6 42.Kd4 h6 43.h5 g6

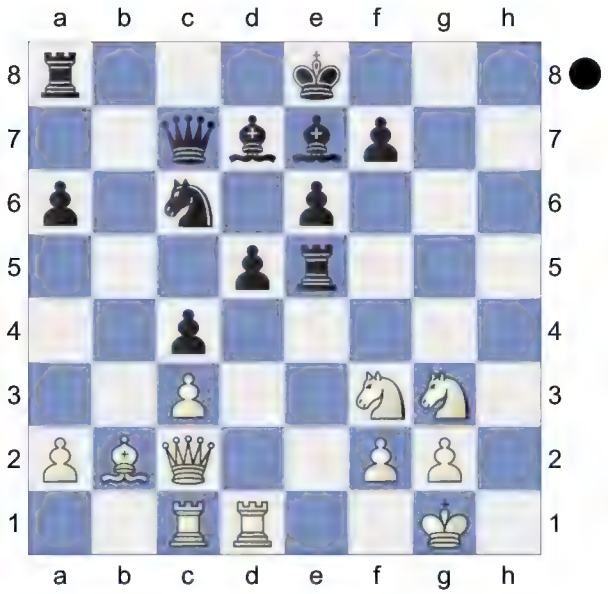


44.Rxc6! Rxc6 45.Rxc6
Remove Defender
[Less strong is 45.Kxd5 Rd6+ 46.Ke5 Rxd2±]
45...Kxc6
Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/ Black=1.14
46.hxg6
1-0

138 **C02**
□ **Suleymenov,Alisher** **2484**
■ **Martinovic,Sasa** **2563**
45. Chess Olympiad Budapest 2024 | Op..
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...a6 10.Nbd2**
[10.h5 h6 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Qc7 13.c4 Nb4 14.Bf1 dxc4 15.Nxc4 Ned5 16.Bb2 Bc5 17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Qd2 Qb6 19.Rab1 Qa7 20.Bd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qc5 22.a3 Nc6 23.Rxb7 Rd8 24.Nxc6 Bxc6 Carlsen,M (2853)-Terry,R (2520) chess.com INT 2023 [John Watson] 1-0 (33)]
10...dxc3 11.bxc3 Qc7N
[11...g6 12.c4 Bg7 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Ba3 0-0 15.Bd6 Qc8 16.Qb3 Re8 17.Qxb7 Na5 18.Qb4 Nec6 19.Qa3 dxc4 20.Bxc4 Nxe5 21.Bxe5 Nxc4 22.Nxc4 Qxc4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Ne5 Qa4 25.Qf3 Rf8 26.h5 Huber,B (2272)-Woithe,D (2106) Nordhausen 2023 1-0]
[11...Ng6 12.Nb3 f6 13.exf6 gxf6 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Bxg6+ hxg6 16.Qxd5 0-0-0 17.Qc4 e5 18.Be3 Bf5 19.Rb2 Bd3 20.Qa4 f5 21.Nc5 Bb5 22.Qb3 Bxc5 23.Bxc5 Na5 24.Qe6+ Bd7 25.Qxe5 Nc4 26.Qxc7+ Gabrielian,A (2452)-Shuvalov,E (2118) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (36) Kxc7 27.Rbe2 Rhe8 28.Be7 Rc8 29.Nd4 b5 30.f3 Kb7 31.Kf2 Nb6 32.Nb3 Nd5 33.Bb4 Rxe2+ 34.Rxe2 Nxc3 35.Re7 Nd5 36.Rxd7+ 1-0 (36) Benhadi,A (2452)-Statter (2118) Elista 2023 CT-2879 [John Watson]]
12.h5 Against Ng6 **12...Na5 13.Bb2 Nec6 14.Rc1** -0.61/20
[14.Qe2= -0.05/17]
14...b5!∓ 15.Qc2 g6 -0.53/16
[15...h6∓ -0.84/17 16.Nb3 Nc4]
16.hxg6 hxg6 17.Bxg6 Be7
Prevents Ng5.
[17...fxg6? 18.Qxg6+ Kd8 19.Qf6+ Kc8 20.Qxh8+-]
18.Bd3 Rh5 19.Nf1 Nc4 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.Ng3 Rxe5 22.Red1 -1.21/21

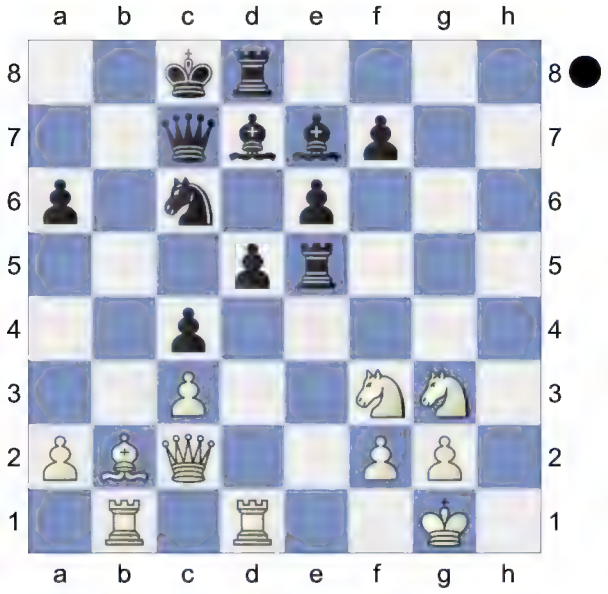
[White should play 22.Nxe5∓ -0.49/19 Nxe5 23.Rcd1 *(23.Qh7 0-0-0∓)*]



22...0-0-0 -0.73/19

[⌓22...Re3! -1.21/21 23.fxe3 *(23.Rb1 Rxf3)* 23...Qxg3]

23.Rb1∓



Rg8 -0.16/20

[23...Re3!∓ -0.93/20 Threatens to win with ...Rxf3! 24.Bc1 Rxf3! 25.gxf3 Ne5]

24.Qh7!=

(Diagram)

Rxg3 0.01/20 **25.Qh8+ Bd8 26.Nxe5 Nxe5 27.fxg3** Strongly threatening Bc1. Chess con chili. **27...Ng6** 1.44/18

[27...Ba4!± 0.40/19]

28.Qd4 0.12/19

[28.Qg8!± 1.44/18]

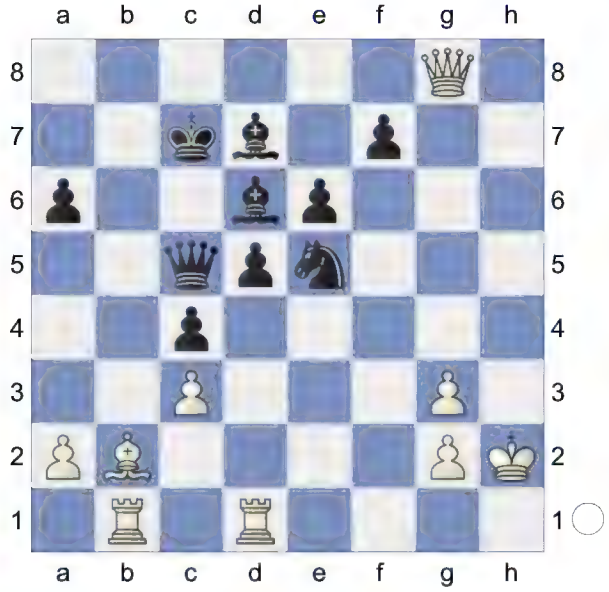
28...Be7 0.71/20

[28...Qxg3= 0.12/19 keeps the balance. 29.Qf2 Qxf2+ 30.Kxf2 Ba4]

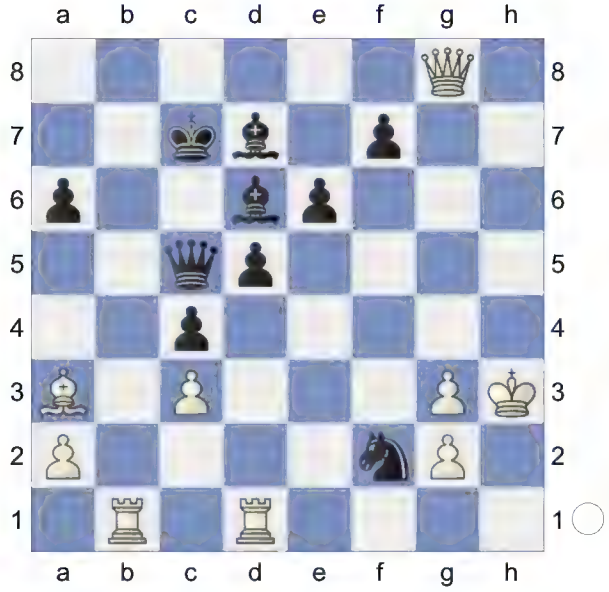
29.Kh2 0.08/21

[29.Qg4!± 0.71/20]

29...Bd6 30.Qe3 Ne5 0.64/19
[30...Ba4= 0.29/20]
31.Qg5± aiming for Ba3! **31...Qc5** 3.35/21 Inhibits Ba3. Loses the game.
[31...f5!± 0.64/18]
32.Qg8++- Kc7



33.Ba3! White wants to mate with Qb8+.
33...Ng4+
[33...Qa7 34.Bxd6+]
34.Kh3 Qb8+ would kill now. **34...Nf2+**



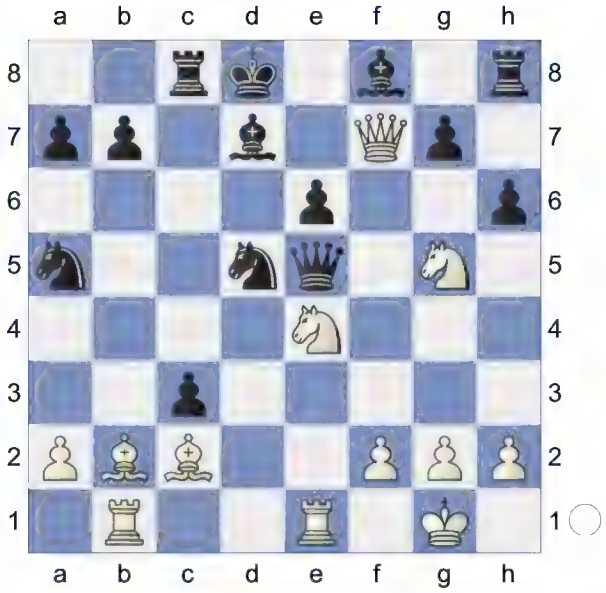
35.Kh4! Intending Qb8+ and mate.
35...Qa7 Prevents Qb8+. **36.Bxd6+**
[But not 36.Qxf7? Bxa3 37.Re1 Ne4 38.Rxe4 dxe4 39.Qf4+ Bd6 40.Qxe4 Qf2 41.Qb7+ Kd8 42.Qb6+ Qxb6 43.Rxb6 Be5-+]
36...Kxd6 37.Rd4
[Don't play 37.Qxf7 Nxd1 38.Rxd1 Kc6+-]
37...e5? 4.87/24
[37...Bb5 2.50/20 38.Qd8+ Qd7]
38.Qf8+ Ke6 11.22/23
[⌓38...Kc6 4.05/22]
39.Qh6+ f6

40.Rf1! exd4
[40...Ba4 41.Rxf2]
41.Rxf2 Kd6 42.Rxf6+ Kc5 43.Qf8+ Kb5 44.Qb4# Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.56
1-0

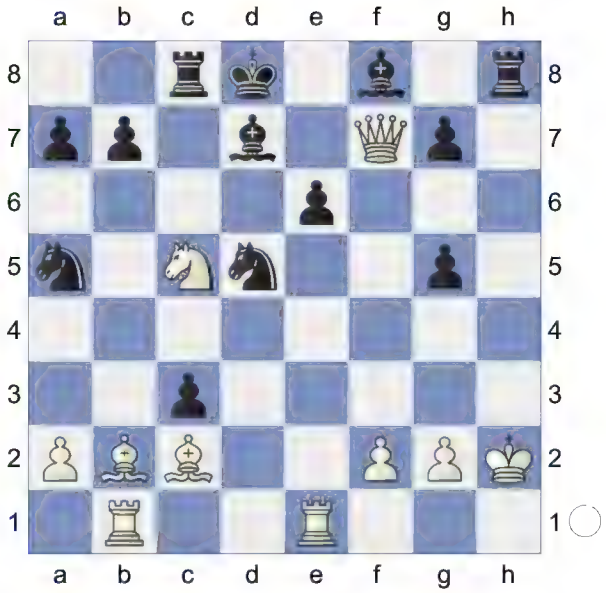
139 **C02**
□ **Ghimpu,Samuel Timotei** **2465**
■ **Bonte,Andrei Mihai** **2334**
Jupiter FISCA (2) 18.06.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 **7.0-0!**

now scores much better than the old 7. cxd4. punktet besser als das ältere 7. cxd4. **7...Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.Nbd2!** White is slightly better. **9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Na5 11.Rb1 Qc7 12.c4! dxc4** 0.72/21
[12...Nxc4= 0.23/23 might be stronger. 13.Bxc4 dxc4]
13.Bc2!± White is more active.
13...Ne7? 3.44/22
[13...Rd8± 0.36/21]
14.Ne4+- Nd5
[14...Ng6 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.exd6 Qd8 17.Ng5 Rc5 18.Ne4 Rf5 19.g4 Rd5 20.Nf6+ gxf6 21.Qxd5 Ne5 22.Rxe5 fxe5 23.Qxe5 Rg8 24.Bxh7 Qh4 25.Bxg8 Qxg4+ 26.Kf1 Qd1+ 27.Kg2 Qg4+ 28.Kf1 Qd1+ 29.Kg2 ½-½ (30) Cheparinov,I (2663)-Svane,F (2618) FIDE World Cup 2023 (2.2)]
15.Nfg5 h6? 4.67/26
[15...Qxe5? 16.Nxf7 Qc7 *(16...Kxf7? 17.Ng5++- Discovered Attack)* 17.Nxh8+-]
[15...Nc6 2.71/23]
16.Qh5! Qxe5N 8.00/24
[Vorgänger: 16...g6 17.Nd6+! Bxd6 18.Bxg6 Bxe5 10.37/24 *(⌓18...Bc5 4.87/21 19.Nxf7 Qc6 20.Nxh8+ Kd8 21.Nf7+ Kc7 22.Bxh6 c3)* 19.Nxf7+- Ba3! would now be deadly. Bxh2+ 20.Kh1 White threatens Nd6+ and mate. Nf6 21.Nxh8+ 11.89/23 *(⌓21.Qh4 31.49/26 Ke7 22.Ba3+ Qd6 23.Nxd6 Bxd6 24.Bxd6+ Kxd6 25.Qxf6)* 21...Ke7+- 22.Qxh6 Rg8 Dodges Qg7+ 23.Bg5 1-0 Gavrilescu,D (2511)-Laptii,N (2180) Bucharest Super Rapid op 2022 (5)]
[16...hxg5 17.Qxh8 Bc6 18.Ba3+-]
[⌓16...g6 4.04/24 17.Nd6+ Qxd6 *(17...Bxd6? 18.Bxg6 Bc5 19.Nxf7+-)* 18.Bxg6 Qc6 19.Nxf7 *(19.Bxf7+? Kd8-+)* 19...Rg8]
17.Qxf7+? 2.00/5
[17.Nd6+ 8.00/24 Qxd6 18.Qxf7+ *(18.Nxf7 Qc5+-)* 18...Kd8 19.Rxe6]
17...Kd8+- 18.Bb2 Skewer **18...c3**



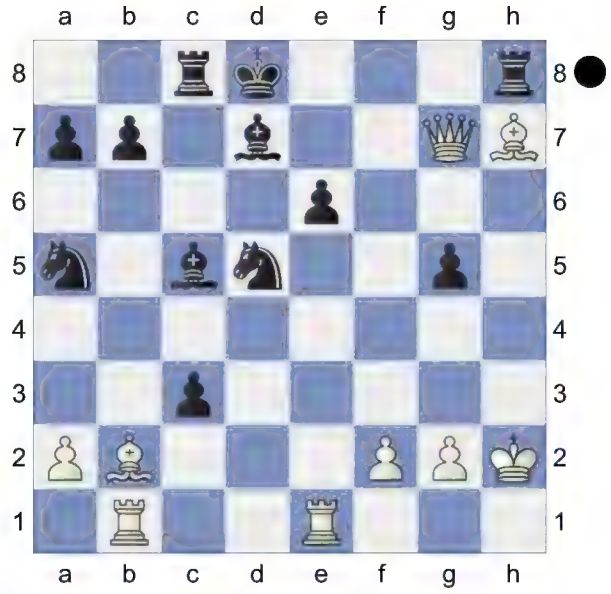
19.Nc5! Discovered Attack, Double Attack **19...Qxh2+ 20.Kxh2 hxg5+**



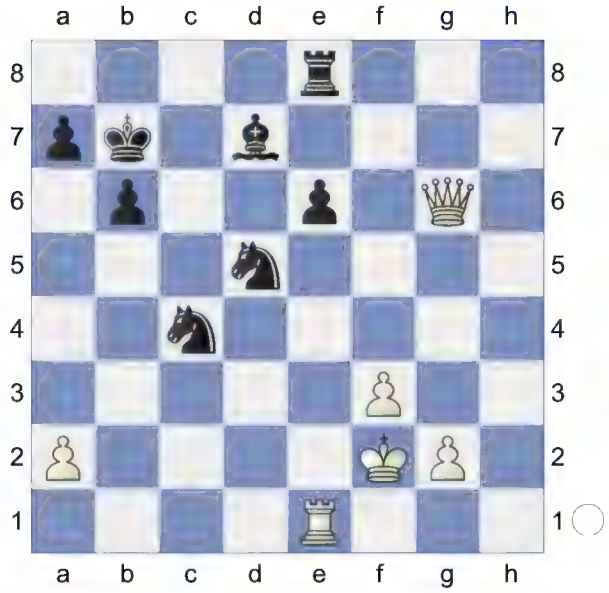
21.Bh7?? -2.44/27
[21.Kg1!+- 3.28/26 was the only winning move. Bxc5 22.Qxg7]
21...Bxc5? -0.23/24
[21...Rxh7+ 22.Kg1 Bxc5 23.Qg8+ Kc7 24.Qxh7 cxb2 25.Qc2∓]
[21...Rxc5-+ -2.44/27 22.Kg1 cxb2

23.Rxb2 Nf6]

22.Qxg7=

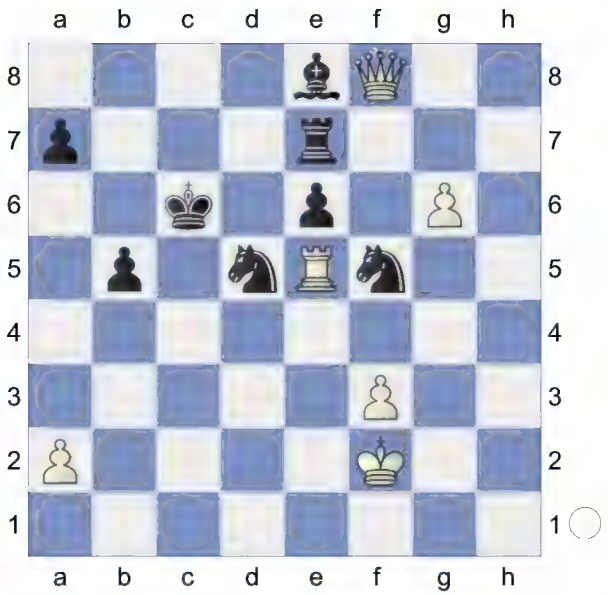


Bd4!⇄ Deflection. Black is fighting back
23.Qxd4 Rxh7+ 24.Kg1 cxb2
25.Rxb2 b6 ...Kc7 poses a challenge
26.Qe5 Nc4 27.Qxg5+ Kc7 28.Rc2
The board is on fire. **28...Kb7 29.f3**
Nb4 A dynamic duo of knights. **30.Qg6**
White is weak on the light squares
30...Rh4 31.Rd1 -0.71/27 **Nd5?** 2.84/31
[31...Ba4∓ -0.71/27 32.Qxe6 Bxc2
(32...Nxc2? 33.Qe7+ Ka6 34.Qxh4+-) 33.Rd7+ Ka6]
32.Qg5+- Ba4
[32...Rch8? 33.Rxd5 exd5 34.Qxd5+ Bc6 35.Qf7+ Ka8 36.Rxc4+-]
33.Rcc1 Rch8 34.Re1 -0.77/25
[And not 34.Qg7+ Ka6 35.Rxc4 Bxd1= *(35...Rxc4? perishes. 36.Rxd5 exd5 37.Qxh8+-)*]
[34.Rd4!+- 2.51/27 Rh1+
(34...Rxd4? 35.Qg7++- Skewer, Double Attack *)* 35.Kf2]
34...Rh1+ 3.39/5
[34...Bd7∓ -0.77/25 stays on course.]
35.Kf2 Rxe1 36.Rxe1 2.41/22
[36.Qg7+ 6.86/24 Ka6 37.Rxc4
(37.Rxe1 Rc8+-)]
36...Re8 37.Qg6? 0.81/22
[37.Qg4+- 2.97/22 Bb5 38.a4
(38.Rxe6 Bd7±)]
37...Bd7±



38.g4! White has strong compensation.
38...b5 39.g5 0.46/23
[39.Rh1± 1.24/19]
39...Nd6!± 40.Re5 0.37/22
[40.Rh1± 0.86/23]
40...Nf5 Strongly threatening ...Nf4.
41.Qf7 Kc6 42.g6 Re7? 3.65/23
[42...Nh6± 0.40/23 43.Qh7 Nf5]
43.Qf8+- Be8? 5.98/24
[43...Kd6 3.01/25 44.Re1 Kc7]

(Diagram)

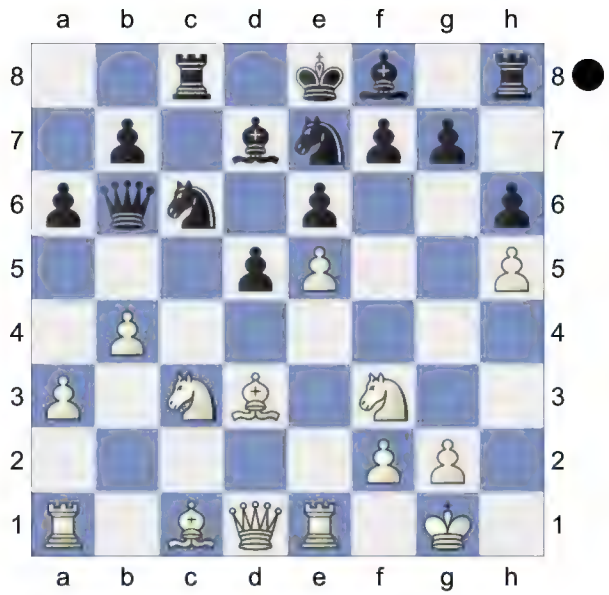


44.g7! White is clearly winning. **44...Bf7 45.g8Q Bxg8 46.Qxg8 Kd6 47.Re1 Nd4 48.Qb8+ Rc7 49.Rc1 a6** 8.32/23
[⌓49...Kd7 4.73/24 50.Rxc7+ Nxc7 51.Qxa7 Nc6]
Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/ Black=0.99
50.Rxc7
1-0

140 **C02**
□ **Nemeth,Miklos** **2453**
■ **Brilej,Jaka** **2321**
Mitropa Cup Mati Losinj (1.4) 11.04.2023
[Kitty Kat]

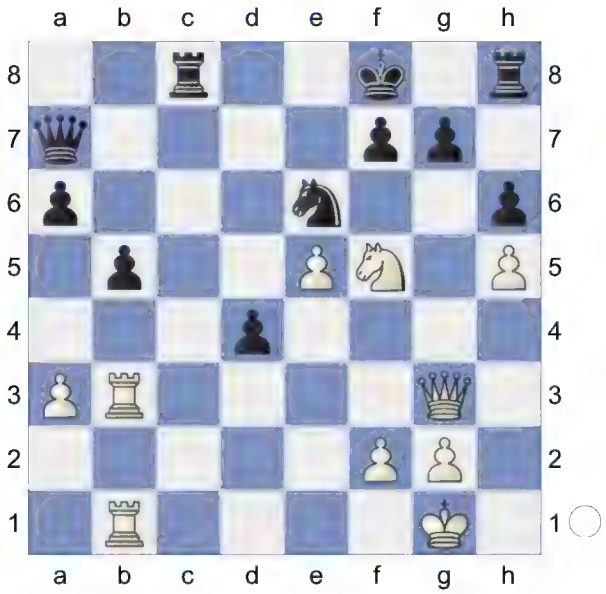
C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0! is more profitable than 7.cxd4 at the moment. scheint profitabler als 7.cxd4. **7...Bd7! 8.Re1!** White has compensation. **8...Nge7 9.h4!** White is slightly better. **9...h6 10.h5! Rc8 11.a3 a6! 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3**

(Diagram)



Nxb4! Discovered Attack **14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Bd2** Prevents Qa5 **16...Nf5N** 0.94/25
[Predecessor: 16...Qc7 17.Rab1 Qd7 aiming for ...Nxe5!. 18.Qg4 Rc7 19.Nh4 Rg8 20.a4 g5 21.hxg6 fxg6 0.70/20 *(21...Kd8=* 0.01/19 *)* 22.Nxg6? -0.95/21 *(22.Nf3!±* 0.70/20 keeps the upper hand.*)* 22...Nxg6∓ 23.Bxg6+ 1-0 (41) Schneider,I (2475)-Khadempour,F (2141) Deizisau 2023]
[16...Qd8= -0.01/22]
17.Rab1± Qa7 18.Bxf5 exf5 19.Qf4N White has good play.
[19.Be3?! b5 20.Qf4 Qd7=]
[19.e6 Bc5 20.exf7+ Kxf7 21.Qf4 Rhd8 22.Qxf5+ Kg8 23.Qe6+ Kh8 24.Bxh6 Bxf2+ 25.Kh1 Bxe1 26.Bxg7+ Kxg7 27.Qg6+ Kh8 28.Ng5 Rc7 29.Rxe1 Rg7 30.Qh6+ Kg8 31.Ne6 b5 32.Nxd8 Nxd8 33.Re8+ Kf7 0-1 (38) whereismate (2591)-Baidetskyi,V (2793) Blitz 2023]
19...Bc5 20.Nh4 0.06/20
[20.Qg3!± 0.94/22 0-0 *(20...Bxa3? 21.Qxg7 Rf8 22.Bxh6+-)* 21.Nh4]
20...Nd4? 2.63/21

[20...Ne7!= 0.06/20]
21.Qg3+-
[21.Nxf5 Nxf5 22.Qxf5 0-0∓]
21...Kf8 3.20/18
[⌓21...Ne6 1.97/19]
22.Be3 Ne6 23.Nxf5 Bxe3 4.17/18
[23...d4 2.50/17]
24.Rxe3
[24.fxe3 b5±]
24...d4? 5.75/21
[24...b5 3.58/17 25.Nd6 Rc7]
25.Reb3 b5



26.a4! Kg8
[26...Rc3 27.Rxc3]
27.axb5 axb5 28.Rxb5 Kh7 29.Rb7 Qa2

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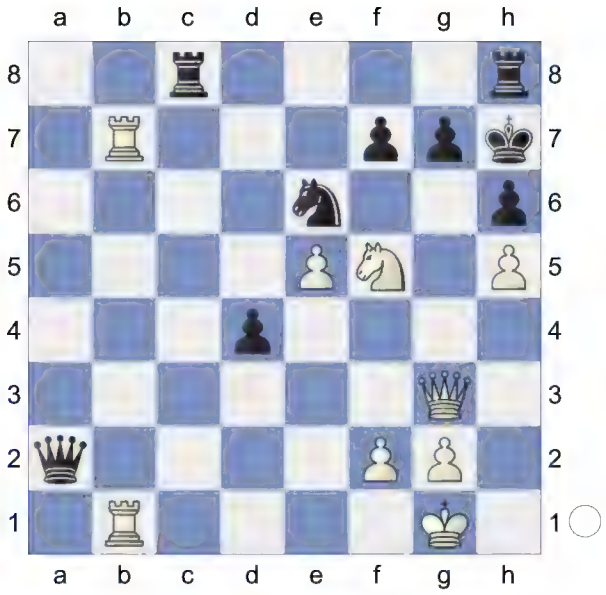
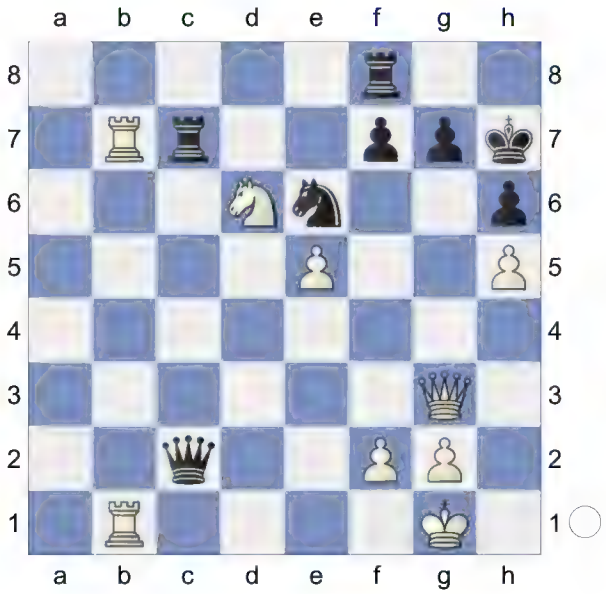
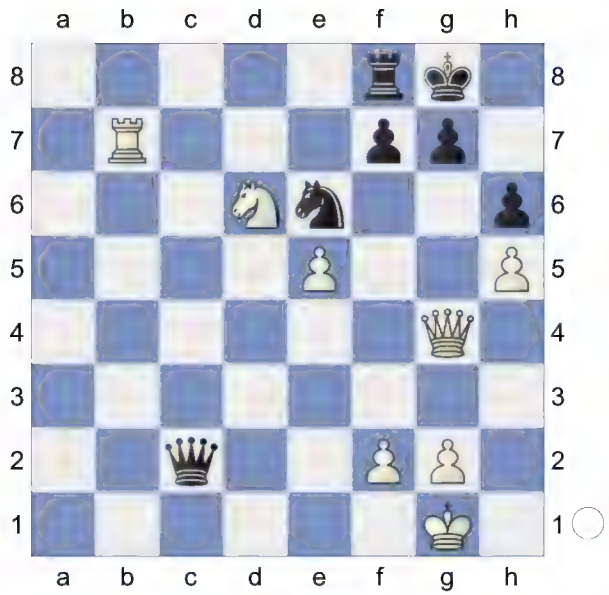


30.Nxd4? 0.43/21 **Rhf8** 1.01/19
[30...Rhd8!± 0.43/21 31.Nf5 Qe2]
31.Nf5± Qc2 1.53/23
[31...Rc4± 0.56/19]
32.Nd6 Rc7 1.81/23
[32...Rc5± 0.96/22 is a better defense.]



33.Qg4 0.37/23
[33.R7b2!+- 1.81/23 Qa4 34.Kh2]
33...Rxb7± 34.Rxb7 Kg8

(Diagram)



35.Re7 0.27/24
[35.Nf5!± 0.96/23 Qc1+ 36.Kh2]
35...Qc5 0.73/24
[35...Qa2= 0.27/24]
36.Qg3 0.35/24
[36.Nf5± 0.73/24 Ng5 37.Qf4]
36...Qc2 0.73/24
[36...Qb4± 0.35/24 is superior.]
37.Kh2± And now Nxf7! would win. Active counter play! **37...Qd1 38.f3 Ng5 39.Qf4 Ne6 40.Qg4 Ng5 41.Ne4** 0.01/21
[White should try 41.Rd7± 0.67/24]
41...Nxe4= 42.Qxe4 Endgame KQR-KQR. White is a pawn up. **42...Qd8 43.Qb4 Re8 44.Rxe8+ Qxe8** KQ-KQ. White is a pawn up. **45.Qd6 Qc8 46.g4 Qc4 47.Kg3 Qf1 48.Qd8+ Kh7 49.Qd2 Kg8 50.Qe3 Qc4 51.f4 Qc7 52.Kh3 Kf8 53.Qa3+ Kg8 54.Kg3 Qb6 55.Qc1 Qb3+ 56.Kf2 Qh3 57.Qd1 Qh2+ 58.Ke3 Qg3+ 59.Qf3 Qe1+ 60.Qe2 Qg1+ 61.Ke4 Qb1+ 62.Kd4 Qc1 63.f5 Qa1+ 64.Ke4 Qa8+ 65.Kf4 Qb8 66.Qc4 Kf8 67.Qc5+ Ke8?** #25/32
[67...Kg8= 0.03/27]
68.Qc6+ 14.85/31
[⌓68.f6 #25/32 gxf6 69.Qc6+ Ke7 70.Qxf6+ Kd7 71.Qxf7+ *(71.Qxh6 Qc8+-)* 71...Kc6 72.Qe6+ Kc5 73.Qd6+ *(73.Qxh6 Qb4+ 74.Kf3 Qb2+-)* 73...Qxd6 74.exd6 Kxd6 75.Kf5]
68...Ke7 69.f6+ gxf6 70.Qxf6+ Ke8
Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/ Black=0.35
71.Qh8+ Skewer
1-0

141 **C02**
□ **Vaishali,Rameshbabu** **2451**
■ **Kakabayev,Mergen** **2285**
19. Asian Continental (7.35) 01.11.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 a6 9.Nbd2** The position is equal. **9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Nge7 11.h4 Ng6 12.Nb3 Qc7**
[12...f6 13.exf6 gxf6 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Bxg6+ hxg6 16.Qxd5 0-0-0 17.Qc4 e5 18.Be3 Bf5 19.Rb2 Bd3 20.Qa4 f5 21.Nc5 Bb5 22.Qb3 Bxc5 23.Bxc5 Na5 24.Qe6+ Bd7 25.Qxe5 Nc4 26.Qxc7+ Kxc7 27.Rbe2 Gabrielian,A (2560)-Lugovskoy,M (2397) Yerevan 120/(105) 2014 CI1-130 [Arsovic,Goran] 0-1 (36)]
13.Qe2 f6 14.exf6 gxf6 15.Nfd4N -0.01/18
[15.Rb1!± 0.39/19 Bd6 16.Nbd4 e5 17.Nf5 Bc5 18.Ng7+ Kf7 19.Nh5 #23 8) Advance of the French-4...Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6]
[15.Qc2 0-0-0 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.Qxg6 Bd6 18.Qxf6 Rdf8 19.Qg7 e5 20.Bg5 e4 21.Nfd4 Be5 22.Qg6 Nxd4 23.Nxd4 Bxd4 24.cxd4 Bf5

25.Qxf5+ Rxf5 26.Rac1 Rf7 27.Rxc7+ Rxc7 28.g4 Rf7 29.Kg2 Rg8 Ulms,S (2111)-Dokhoian,Y (2167) Russian Team Championship 2023 Inf33 [John Watson] 0-1 (54) 30.Re3 Rgf8 31.Rc3+ Kd7 32.Rc2 Rf3 33.Be3 Rg8 34.g5 Rh8 35.Rc5 Kd6 36.Rc1 Rxh4 37.Rc8 Rg4+ 38.Kf1 Rf7 39.Rd8+ Kc6 40.Ke2 Rg1 41.Rg8 Rf5 42.g6 Rf6 43.g7 Rfg6 44.Bh6 Kb5 Matta,V (2111)-Coles,R (2167) Biel 2023 0-1 (54)]

15...e5 16.Qh5 -0.23/20

[⌓16.Nxc6 0.09/18 bxc6 17.c4]

16...Nce7! 17.Bf4 Bg7

[17...Qxc3 18.Bxg6+ Nxg6 19.Bxe5 fxe5 20.Rxe5+ Be7 21.Rae1±]

18.Nf5 -0.97/21

[18.Bh2!∓ -0.51/17 deserves consideration.]

18...Nxf5 19.Bxf5 Bxf5

[19...Qxc3? 20.Bxd7+ Kxd7 21.Rac1!+-]

20.Qxf5 Qd7 21.Qxd7+ Kxd7 22.Bg3 -1.79/21

[22.Be3∓ -1.01/21]

22...Rhc8-+ 23.Rad1 Ne7

[23...Rxc3 24.Rxd5+ Ke8 25.Rd6∓]

24.Rd3 Ke6 25.f3 Kf7 -1.34/21

[25...Rc4-+ -1.71/19 26.Na5 Rc7]

26.Bf2∓ f5 27.Bc5 Rd8 28.Nd4 -1.35/19 **Rd7 29.Nb3**

[29.Bxe7? exd4 30.Bc5 dxc3-+]

29...h5 -1.05/21

[⌓29...Rc8 -1.37/19 30.g3 Rcc7]

30.Red1 Rad8 -0.88/20

[⌓30...Rc8 -1.23/20 31.Bxe7 Kxe7 32.Rxd5 Rxd5 33.Rxd5 b6]

31.Bxe7 Kxe7 32.Nc5 Rc7 33.Rxd5 Rxd5 34.Rxd5 Endgame KRB-KRN

34...Bf6! 35.c4 b6 36.Nxa6 Rxc4 37.Rb5 e4 -0.48/20

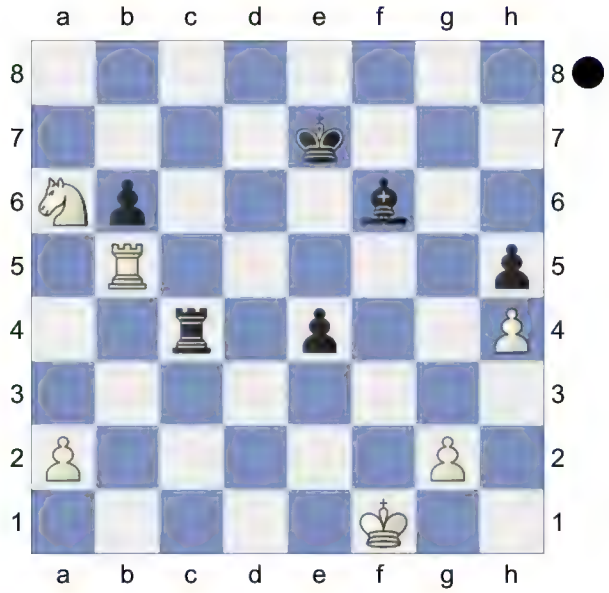
[37...Bxh4∓ -0.98/20 Threatens to win with ...Bg3. 38.Rxe5+ Kd7]

38.fxe4 -1.21/25

[Better is 38.Kf1∓ -0.48/20]

38...fxe4 ...e3 is the strong threat.

39.Kf1



Bd4!

[39...Bxh4 40.Rxh5 Bf6 41.Rb5∓]

40.Nb4 -2.11/23 This costs White the game.

[40.Rb4∓ -0.86/22 Rxb4 41.Nxb4]

40...Kd6-+ 41.Ke2 Bc5 42.a3 Rc3 43.a4 Re3+ 44.Kf1 Ra3 45.Na6 Ra1+

[45...Rxa4? 46.Nxc5 bxc5 47.Rb6+ Ke5 48.Ke2-+]

46.Ke2 Ra2+

[Inferior is 46...Rxa4 47.Nxc5 bxc5 48.Ke3∓]

47.Kf1 Be3

[Wrong is 47...Rxa4? 48.Nxc5 bxc5 49.Rb6+ Ke5 50.Ke2-+]

48.Rb3 Bd4

[And not 48...Rxa4 49.Rxe3 Rxa6 50.Rxe4=]

49.Rb4 Rd2 aiming for ...e3. **50.Ke1?** -5.49/22

[50.Rc4 -2.35/24 nothing else works.]

50...e3 White must now prevent ...Be5.

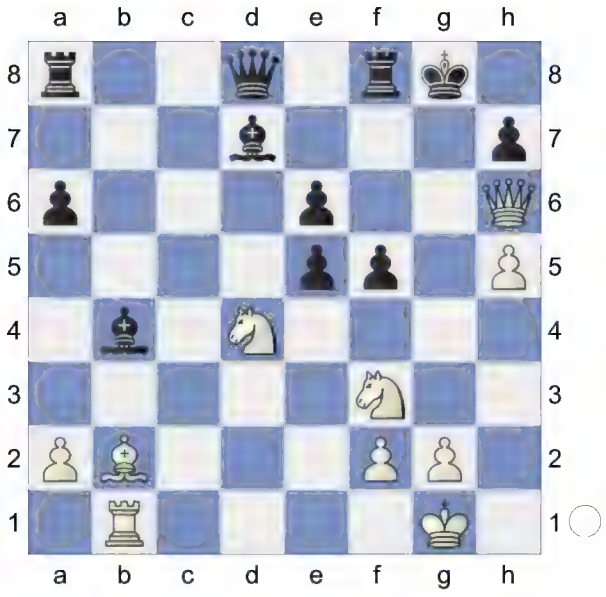
51.Rb3 -7.16/23

[⌓51.g3 -4.44/24]
51...Rxg2 52.Nb4 Kc5 53.Kd1 Kc4 54.Rd3 Bc3 -8.24/26 Weighted Error Value: White=0.59/Black=0.06 (flawless)
[⌓54...Kxb4 -#17/25 55.Rxd4+ Kc3 56.Rd8 Rd2+ 57.Rxd2 exd2 58.Ke2 Kc2 59.Kf3 d1Q+ 60.Ke4 Qg4+ 61.Kd5 Qxh4 62.Ke5 Qxa4 63.Kf5 h4 64.Ke5 h3 65.Ke6 h2 66.Kd6 h1Q 67.Ke6 Qe8+ 68.Kf5 Qhe4+ 69.Kg5 Q8g6#]
0-1

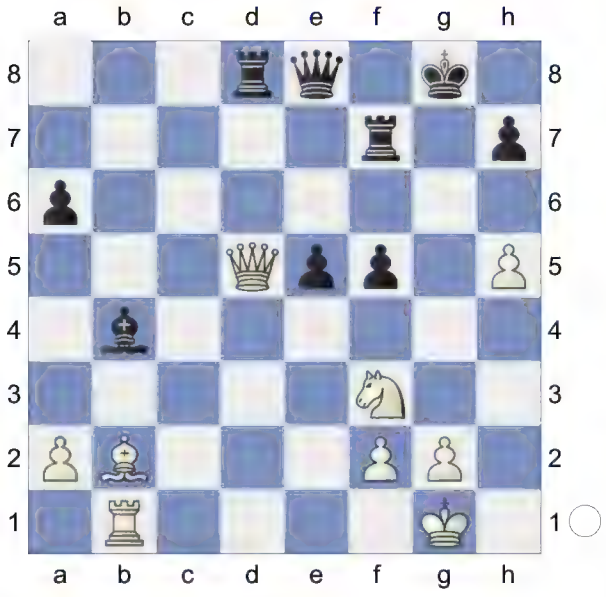
142 **C02**
□ **Rodriguez Vila,Andres** **2450**
■ **Spata,German** **2329**
Ajedrez En Las Balsas (7.3) 20.06.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...a6 10.Nbd2**
[10.h5 h6 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Qc7 13.c4 Nb4 14.Bf1 dxc4 15.Nxc4 Ned5 16.Bb2 Bc5 17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Qd2 Qb6 19.Rab1 Qa7 20.Bd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qc5 22.a3 Nc6 23.Rxb7 Rd8 24.Nxc6 Bxc6 Carlsen,M (2853)-Terry,R (2520) chess.com INT 2023 [John Watson] 1-0 (33)]
10...Nf5N
[10...dxc3 11.bxc3 g6 *(11...Ng6 12.Nb3 f6 13.exf6 gxf6 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Bxg6+ hxg6 16.Qxd5 0-0-0 17.Qc4 e5 18.Be3 Bf5 19.Rb2 Bd3 20.Qa4 f5 21.Nc5 Bb5 22.Qb3 Bxc5 23.Bxc5 Na5 24.Qe6+ Bd7 25.Qxe5 Nc4 26.Qxc7+* Gabrielian,A (2452)-Shuvalov,E (2118) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (36) *Kxc7 27.Rbe2 Rhe8 28.Be7 Rc8 29.Nd4 b5 30.f3 Kb7 31.Kf2 Nb6 32.Nb3 Nd5 33.Bb4 Rxe2+ 34.Rxe2 Nxc3 35.Re7 Nd5 36.Rxd7+* 1-0 (36) Benhadi,A (2452)-Statter (2118) Elista 2023 CT-2879 [John Watson]*)* 12.c4 Bg7 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Ba3 0-0 15.Bd6 Qc8 16.Qb3 Re8 17.Qxb7 Na5 18.Qb4 Nec6 19.Qa3 dxc4 20.Bxc4 Nxe5 21.Bxe5 Nxc4 22.Nxc4 Qxc4 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Ne5 Qa4 25.Qf3 Huber,B (2272)-Woithe,D (2106) Nordhausen 2023 1-0]
11.Nb3 dxc3 12.bxc3 Be7 13.h5 White has compensation. **13...Qd8 14.Rb1 0-0** 0.45/19
[14...h6= 0.14/19]
15.Bc2 0.01/20
[15.Bxf5± 0.45/19 exf5 16.h6]
15...b5= 16.Qd3 g6! 17.Qd2 b4 0.88/18
[17...Rc8± 0.48/18]
18.Bxf5± gxf5 19.cxb4 0.39/19
[19.Qh6!± 1.26/20 Ng5 is the strong threat. f6 20.cxb4 Bxb4 21.Bd2 Bxd2 22.Qxd2]
19...Bxb4 1.69/20
[19...Kh8!± 0.39/19]
20.Qh6!+- Intending Ng5! and mate.
20...f6 Prevents Ng5.
[20...Bxe1 is a self mate. 21.Ng5]
21.Bb2! d4 3.11/20
[⌓21...Bxe1 2.08/20 22.exf6 Rf7!]
22.Nbxd4 Nxe5
[22...Bxe1? 23.Nxc6 Bxc6 24.exf6± *(24.Nxe1 Rf7∓)*]
23.Rxe5 fxe5

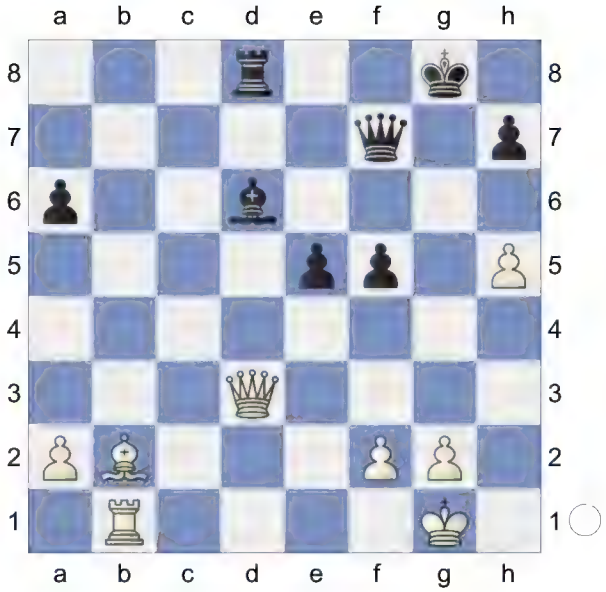
(Diagram)



24.Nc6! 0.92/21 Really sharp! **24...Bxc6±** **25.Qxe6+→** White has strong attack. **25...Rf7** **26.Qxc6** **Qe8** **27.Qd5** 0.80/24 &Bianco is more active.
[⌓27.Qc4 1.21/23]
27...Rd8



28.Qb3 **Bd6** 1.34/21
[⌓28...Bf8 0.91/22]
29.Ng5 Pin **29...Qe7** 1.68/23
[29...h6± 1.12/20 30.Nxf7 Qxf7]
30.Nxf7+- **Qxf7** **31.Qg3+** **Qg7** **32.Qd3** aiming for Rd1. **32...Qf7?** 3.97/21
[32...e4 1.68/20 33.Qxa6 Qf7]



33.Bxe5! Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.32
1-0

143 **C02**
□ **Bilych,Oleksii** **2445**
■ **Zhang,Nathaniel** **2001**
2025 Pan-Am Collegiate Championship ..
[Kitty Kat]

Rapid 1min+30sec C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4** 0 **e6** 0 **2.d4** 0 **d5** 0 **3.e5** 0 **c5** 0 **4.c3** 0 **Nc6** 0 **5.Nf3** 0 **Qb6** 0 **6.Bd3** 0 **cxd4** 0 **7.0-0** 0 **Bd7** 0 **8.Re1** 0 **h6** 0
[8...Nge7 9.h4 Rc8 10.a3 a6 11.b4 dxc3 12.Nxc3 Nxb4 13.Be3 Qd8 14.axb4 Rxc3 15.Bc5 Nc6 16.Bxf8 Kxf8 17.Qd2 Rb3 18.b5 axb5 19.Qc2 Rb4 20.Qc5+ Qe7 21.Ra8+ Be8 22.Qb6 g6 23.h5 Osmak,I (2449)-Bon,M (2392) Chess.com INT 2023 ½-½ (34)]
9.h4 0 The position is equal. **9...a5N** 0
[9...a6 10.a3 dxc3 11.Nxc3 Bc5 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 d4 14.Na4

Qa7 15.Re4 b5 16.Rg4 g6 17.Qc2 bxa4 18.Bxg6 Nge7 19.Be4 Rc8 20.Qd2 Qb8 21.Rd1 Rd8 22.Qf4 Nf5 23.Bxf5 exf5 24.Rg3 Kurchenko,E (2125)-Gitelson,A (2187) Novorossijsk 2023 0-1 (37) Be6 25.h5 Qxb2 26.Qh4 Qc2 27.Rd2 Qe4 28.Qf6 Rf8 29.Rh3 Rg8 30.Kh1 Qg4 31.Rg3 Qxh5+ 32.Rh3 Qg6 33.Rg3 Qxf6 34.Rxg8+ Kd7 35.exf6 Rxg8 36.Nxd4 Nxd4 37.Rxd4+ Kc6 0-1 (37) Rajtar,J (2125)-Russian Variation,H (2187) Rethymnon 88/297 2023 Inf33 [John Watson]]

[9...g5 10.hxg5 hxg5 11.Nxg5 Bg7 12.Bf4 Qxb2 13.Nd2 dxc3 14.Rb1 Qa3 15.Ndf3 Nb4 16.Nd4 Ne7 17.Nb5 Bxb5 18.Bxb5+ Nec6 19.Qg4 Bf8 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Qxe6+ Kd8 22.Bxc6 bxc6 23.Qf6+ Kc7 24.Qxh8 Georgescu,V (2341)-Schmitt,C (2450) Swedish League 2023 1873 Vienna [John Watson] 1-0]

10.Nbd2 0 **dxc3** 0 **11.bxc3** 0 **Bc5** 0 **12.Re2** 0 **a4** 0 Inhibits Nb3. **13.c4** -0.95/18 0

[13.Rb1 Qc7∓]

[13.Nf1!= -0.04/17 remains equal.]

13...Nge7∓ 0 **14.cxd5** 0 **exd5** 0

[14...Nxd5?! 15.Ne4=]

15.Rb1 0 **Qa7** 0 **16.Nf1** 0 **0-0** 0 **17.Bxh6** 0 **gxh6** 0 **18.Qd2** -1.65/20 0 Against Nb4

[18.Ng3∓ -0.83/21 Kh8 19.Nh5]

18...Bf5!-+ 0 **19.Ng3** 0 **Bxd3** 0 **20.Qxh6** -2.78/22 0

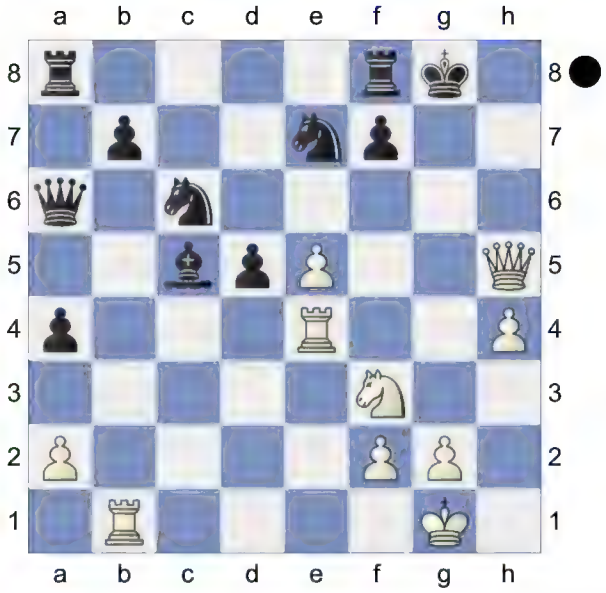
[20.Qxd3∓ -1.59/20 was the only chance. f6 21.e6]

20...Bg6! 0

[20...Bxb1? 21.Nh5 Bxf2+ 22.Kh1 Bh7 23.Qg7#]

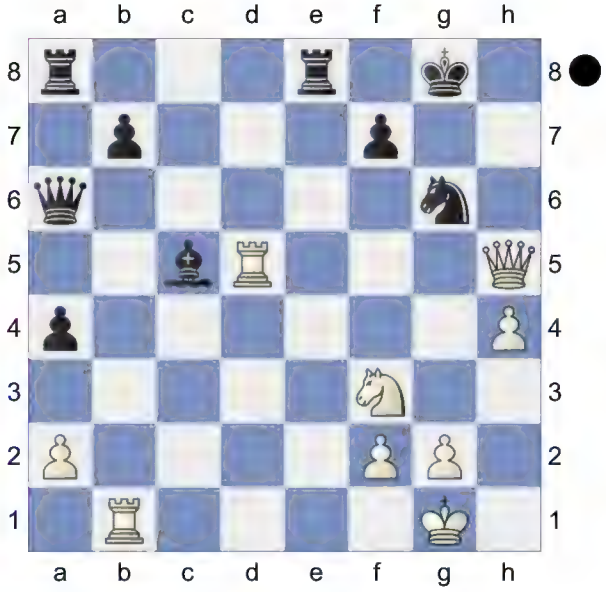
21.Nh5 0 **Bxh5** 0 **22.Qxh5** 0 Intending Ng5 and mate. **22...Qa6** 0 **23.Re4** -5.06/20 0

[⌓23.Ng5 -3.20/20 Qd3 24.Rb5 Bxf2+ 25.Rxf2]



23...Nxe5? -0.67/19 0 **24.Rxe5∓** 0 Strongly threatening Rg5+. **24...f5** -0.36/20 0

[Black should play 24...Rfe8!∓ -1.19/19 25.Rg5+ *(25.Rc1 Ba3∓)* 25...Ng6 26.Rxd5



Bxf2+! 27.Kxf2 Re2+ 28.Kg1 Rxg2+!! 29.Kh1 Qc4!]

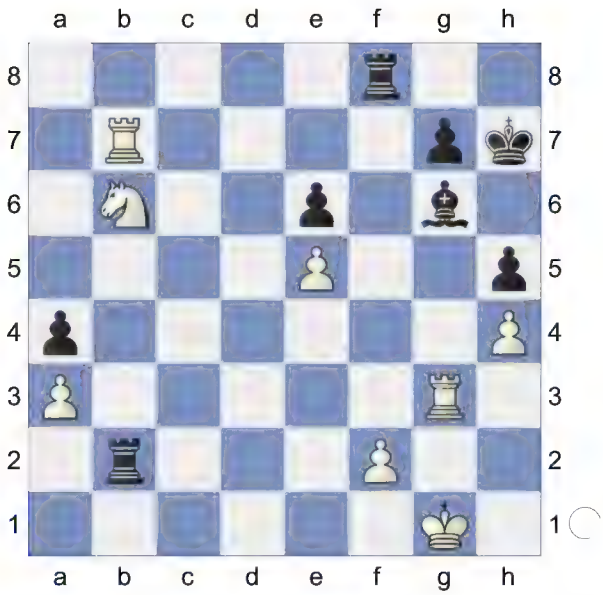
25.Ng5! 0 **Qg6** 0 Against Qh7+ **26.Qe2**

0 Dancing on a razor blade. **26...b6** 0.74/19 8:15
[26...Rae8= -0.11/20 27.Ne6 Nc6 28.Nxf8 Kxf8 29.Rxe8+ Qxe8]
27.Rxe7± 0 Hoping for Re6. **27...Bxe7** 1.15/18 7
[⌓27...f4 0.71/22 28.Qe6+ Qxe6 29.Rxe6 Kg7]
28.Qxe7→ 0 Threatens to win with Rxb6! White attacks with force. **28...Rfe8** 1:33 **29.Qb7** 0 0x0.00175a7b6234dp-1022s more active pieces. **29...Rab8** 1.68/20 2:29
[29...Rad8± 1.01/22]
30.Qxd5++- 0 **Kg7** 19 **31.Rc1** 0 **Re7** 4.32/21 56 Against Rc7
[31...Qf6 2.17/22 32.Rc7+ *(32.Rc6 Re1+ 33.Kh2 Qe5+ 34.Qxe5+ Rxe5=)* 32...Re7]
32.Rc6 0 White is clearly winning. **32...Qh5** 6.85/21 29
[⌓32...Qe8 4.40/25 33.Kh2 Qh5]
33.Re6 1:51 **Rxe6** 59 **34.Nxe6+** 9
[Weaker is 34.Qxe6 Re8 35.Qd7+ Kg8±]
34...Kf6 2:16 **35.Qd6** 8 White wants to mate with Nf4+. **35...Qxh4** 1:28 **36.Nf4+** 6
[Not 36.Qxb8 Kxe6 37.Qxb6+ Ke5 38.Qb8+ Ke6 39.Qe8+ Kd6 40.Qb8+ Ke6 41.Qe8+ Kd5 42.Qb5+ Ke6 43.Qe8+±]
36...Kg5 36 **37.Qe7+** 8 **Kg4** 6 **38.f3+** 5 White used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.55
1-0

144 **C02**
□ **Stankovic,Milos** **2442**
■ **Masruri,Rahman** **2327**
Titled Tuesday intern op 04th Feb Early ..
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 is now more promising than 7.cxd4. im Vergleich zu 7.cxd4 vielversprechender. **7...Bd7! 8.Re1 a5** 0.55/22
[8...Nh6= 0.01/21 9.Bxh6 gxh6 10.Nbd2 Qxb2 11.Rb1 Qxc3 12.Rb3 Qa5 13.Rxb7 Rb8 14.Rxb8+ Nxb8 15.Nxd4 Bb4 16.Re2 Bc3 17.N2b3 Qb6 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Qc1 d4 20.Qxh6 Nb4 21.Ng5 Nxd3 22.Nxf7 Kxf7 23.Qf6+ Kg8 ½-½ (27) Motylev,A (2597)-L'Ami,E (2645) Prague Challengers 5th 2023 (1)]
9.a3N -0.12/24
[9.Nbd2± 0.55/22 a4 10.Rb1 Nge7 11.h4 f6 12.exf6 gxf6 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Nxd4 Qxd4 15.Nc4 Qxh4 16.Nd6+ Kd8 17.Nf7+ Kc7 18.Nxh8 Bg7 19.Nf7 Rf8 20.g3 Qh3 21.Bf4+ e5 22.Nxe5 fxe5 23.Qc2+ Nc6 24.Bxe5+ 1-0 (41) Singh,I (1713)-Jevglevski,L (1602) Wch U08 Montesilvano 2024 (11)]
[9.h4 Bc5 10.Rf1 Nge7 11.a3 h6 12.h5 f6 13.exf6 gxf6 14.Bg6+ Nxg6 15.hxg6 Kf8 16.Nh4 Kg7 17.Qh5 Be8 18.g3 Ne7 19.Kg2 Nxg6 20.Nxg6 Bxg6 21.Qh4 dxc3 22.Nxc3 d4 23.Ne2 e5 0-1 (39) Su,M (1696)-Jevglevski,L (1602) Wch U08 Montesilvano 2024 (9)]
9...a4 10.Bc2 -0.95/22
[10.cxd4= 0.08/24 Nxd4 11.Nxd4 Qxd4 12.Nc3]

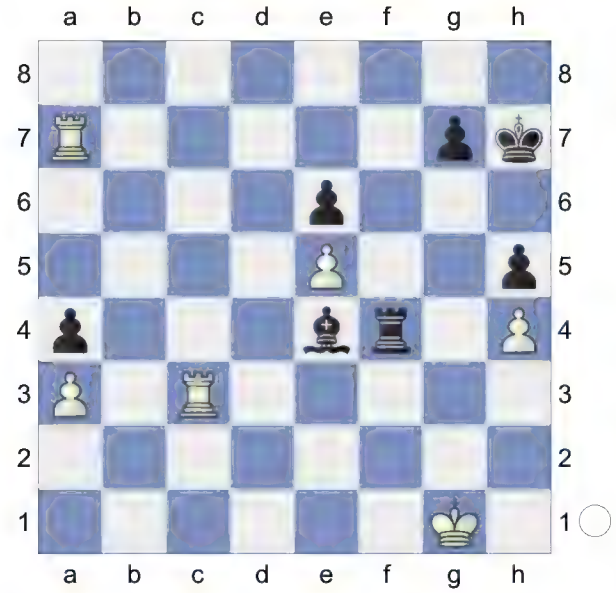
10...Bc5!∓
[10...dxc3? 0.77/24 10...Bc5 -0.88 11.Nxc3 and Be3! should not be overlooked Na5? 2.18/22 *(11...Bc5= 0.28/21 and Black stays safe.)* 12.Nxa4 Qc7 13.b3? -0.11/22 *(13.Nc3+- 1.62/20)* 13...Rc8 0.70/23 *(13...Bxa4= -0.11/22 14.bxa4 Bc5)* 14.Bd3!± Ne7 1.17/22 *(14...Bxa4± 0.64/22 15.bxa4 Bc5)* 15.Be3 0.57/22 *(15.Nb2!± 1.17/22)* 15...Ng6? 7.11/23 *(15...Bxa4± 0.57/22 16.bxa4 Nec6)* 16.Bb6+- Bxa4 17.Bxc7 Bxb3 18.Bxa5 Bxd1 19.Bb5+ Ke7 20.Rexd1 Nf4 21.Rac1 1-0 Tymrakiewicz,R (2131)-Nakhbayeva,G (2326) Titled Tuesday intern op 03rd Oct Early blitz 2023 (7)]
11.cxd4 -1.44/25
[11.Rf1 -0.78/21]
11...Nxd4 12.Nc3? -2.76/25
[12.Nxd4∓ -1.09/22 was forced. Bxd4 13.Be3 Bxe3 *(13...Qxb2? 14.Bxd4 Qb5 15.Nc3+-)* 14.Rxe3]
12...Nxc2 13.Qxc2 Ne7 14.Bg5 -2.25/22
[⌓14.Be3 -1.79/22 Bxe3 15.fxe3]
14...0-0-+ 15.Rad1 Rfc8 16.h4 -3.11/24
[⌓16.Qd2 -1.83/22]
16...h6 17.Bf4 -4.45/23
[17.Be3 -2.23/23]
17...Nf5 18.g4 -4.78/22
[18.Qd2 -3.21/18 Bc6 19.h5]
18...Nd4 19.Nxd4 Bxd4 20.g5 h5 21.g6 -6.49/21
[⌓21.Be3 -4.51/21 Bxe3 22.fxe3]
21...fxg6 22.Qxg6 Rf8 23.Be3 Bxe3
[23...Qxb2 24.Bxd4 Qxa3 25.Nxd5 *(25.Qxh5 Rf4±)* 25...exd5 26.e6+- *(26.Qxh5? Qh3-+)*]
24.Rxe3 Be8 25.Nxd5 Bxg6? -0.01/20
[25...Rd8-+ -3.98/23 26.Ne7+ *(26.Nxb6? Rxd1+ 27.Kh2 Bxg6-+)* 26...Kh8]
26.Nxb6= Ra5 27.Rd7 -0.96/21
[27.Kg2= 0.01/22 keeps the balance.]
27...Rb5 0.24/20
[Black should try 27...Rf4∓ -0.96/21 Strongly threatening ...Rc5. 28.Rd8+ Kh7]
28.Rxb7? -6.53/22
[28.Nxa4= 0.24/20 Bc2 29.b3]
28...Rxb2-+ 29.Rg3 Kh7 5.01/22
[29...Rb1+-+ -13.85/26 and life is good for Black. 30.Kh2 Rxf2+ 31.Rg2 Rxg2+ 32.Kxg2 Be4+ 33.Kf2 Rb2+ *(33...Bxb7? 34.Nxa4 Rh1 35.Kg3-+)* 34.Kg3 Bxb7 35.Nxa4 Rb5]



30.Nd7!+- Discovered Attack **30...Rbxf2**
[30...Rfxf2 31.Rxb2 Rxb2 32.Nf8+ Kg8 33.Nxg6+-]
31.Nxf8+ Rxf8 Endgame KRR-KRB **32.Rc3** 1.17/22 Against Rc8
[32.Re7+- 5.47/22 Re8 33.Ra7]
32...Be4? 3.00/24
[32...Kh6± 1.17/22 keeps fighting.]
33.Ra7 1.56/22

[Better is 33.Rb4+- 3.00/24 Rf4 34.Re3 *(34.Rxa4 Rxh4 35.Rg3 Kh6±)* 34...Rg4+ 35.Kf2 Rg2+ 36.Kf1]

33...Rf4±



34.Rcc7? 0.01/22

[Not 34.Rxa4 Rxh4 35.Kf2 Kg6±]

[White must play 34.Rg3!+- 2.36/24]

34...Rg4+= 35.Kf2 Bd5 Prevents Rc4. **36.Ke3 Kh6 37.Kd3 Bb3 38.Kc3 Rg3+ 39.Kb2 Rg2+ 40.Kc3 Rc2+ 41.Kb4 Rxc7 42.Rxc7** KR-KB **42...g5 43.hxg5+ Kxg5 44.Rg7+ Kh6 45.Rg8 h4 46.Kc3 Kh5 47.Kd3** 0.76/30

[47.Kd2± 0.34/29 h3 48.Ke3]

47...h3± 48.Ke3 Bd5? 9.26/30

[But not 48...h2? 49.Rh8+ Kg6 50.Rxh2+-]

[48...Kh4± 0.70/29]

49.Kf4+- Bg2 50.Rh8+ Kg6 51.Rg8+? -0.01/67

[51.Rh4+- 8.13/29 Bf1 52.Rg4+ Kh5 53.Rg8]

51...Kf7 52.Rh8 Ke7? 10.92/30

[52...Kg6= -0.01/24 53.Rh4 Bf1 54.Rg4+ Kh6]

53.Rh7+ Kf8 54.Kg5 White used his chance.

Weighted Error Value: White=1.14/ Black=0.77

54...Kg8 Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?

0-1

145 **C02**

□ **Yip,Carissa** **2416**

■ **Hou,Yifan** **2650**

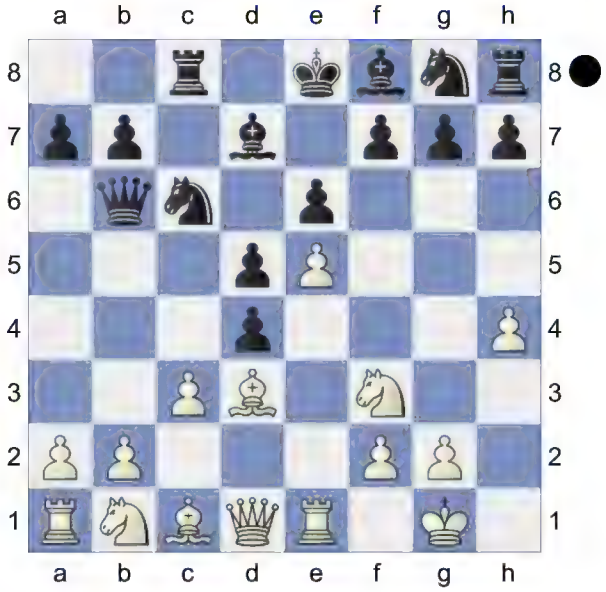
Women's Speed Chess Main (1.34)

[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Rc8 9.h4 -0.80/19

[9.Nbd2!= 0.22/20]



9...h6 0.31/21

[Black should try 9...Nh6!∓ -0.80/19]

10.h5 Nge7 11.Nbd2 dxc3 12.bxc3 Nf5 0.60/21

[12...Na5!= -0.04/19]

13.Rb1± Qc7 14.Bxf5N -0.33/17

[14.Nb3± 0.56/22 Be7 15.Bf4 0-0 16.Qd2 Nh4 17.Nxh4 Bxh4 18.Nc5 Na5 19.Nxd7 Qxd7 20.Rb4 Be7 21.Bxh6 Bxb4 22.Bxg7 f5 23.exf6

Bxc3 24.Qh6 Qxg7 25.fxg7 Bxg7 26.Qh7+ Kf7 27.h6 1-0 Yoo,C (2603)-Masruri,R (2327) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (11)]

[14.c4 dxc4 15.Nxc4 Bc5 16.Bxf5 exf5 17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Rxb7 Qd8 19.Nxc8 Qxc8 20.Qxd7 Qxd7 21.Rxd7 Bb6 22.e6 fxe6 23.Rxe6 1-0 Maslovskiy,V (2280)-Osmonbekov,T (2109) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Late blitz 2024 (10)]

14...exf5∓ 15.Nb3 Be6 16.Nbd4 Bc5 0.01/19

[16...Nxd4!∓ -0.44/22 17.Nxd4 b6]

17.Nb5= A dynamic duo of knights.

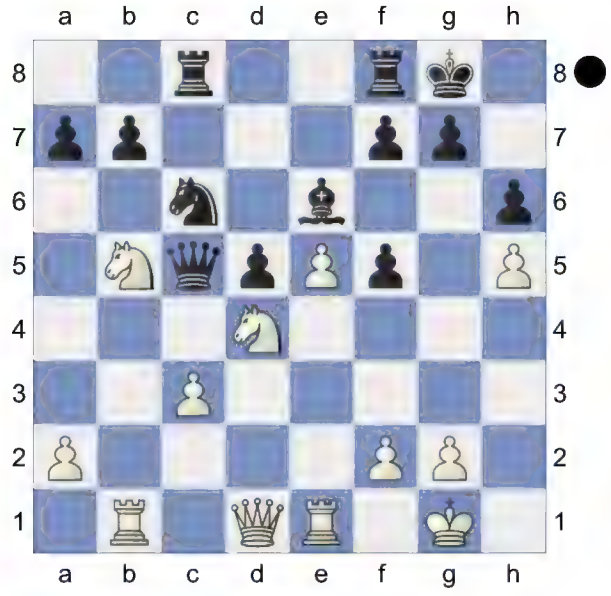
17...Qe7 0.43/24

[17...Qd7= 0.02/21 feels stronger.]

18.Be3 0.00/21

[18.Nd6+!± 0.43/24 Bxd6 19.exd6 Qxd6 20.Qa4]

18...0-0 19.Bxc5! Qxc5 20.Nfd4



Rc7? 4.48/23 **21.Nxc7** 2.10/19

Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.77

[⌓21.Nxe6 4.48/23 fxe6 22.Nxc7]

1-0

146 **C02**

□ **Fernandez Borrego,Pablo** **2410**

■ **Diaz Camallonga,Carles** **2484**

ESP-ch Rapid (9) 19.08.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0! is recently more successful than 7.cxd4. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 7.cxd4.

7...Bd7 8.Re1 dxc3 0.37/20

[8...Nh6= 0.00/18]

9.Nxc3± White is slightly better. **9...h6** 1.00/20

[9...Nge7= 0.15/20]

[9...a6 10.Be3 Qd8 11.Rc1 b5 12.a4 b4 13.Ne2 Qb8 14.Ned4 Nge7 15.h4 h6 16.h5 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 Qxe5 18.f4 Qf6 19.Rc7 g6 20.Nf3 Rg8 21.Qc1 Nf5 22.Rxd7 Nxe3 23.Qc6 ½-½ Delgado Ramirez,N (2562)-Pichot,A (2634) Florianopolis op 9th 2023 (10)]

[9...Bb4 10.Bd2 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Qc7 12.Qe2 Nge7 13.h4 h6 14.h5 Nc8 15.Nh4 Nb6 16.Bf4 0-0-0 17.c4 dxc4 18.Bxc4 Nd4 19.Qb2 Bc6 20.Rac1 Rd7 21.Bf1 Rhd8 22.Qa3 Kb8 23.Qg3 Nd5 24.Bd2 1-0 (39) Ajradinoska,I (1805)-Celik,F (1626) Skopje op-B 2024 (5)]

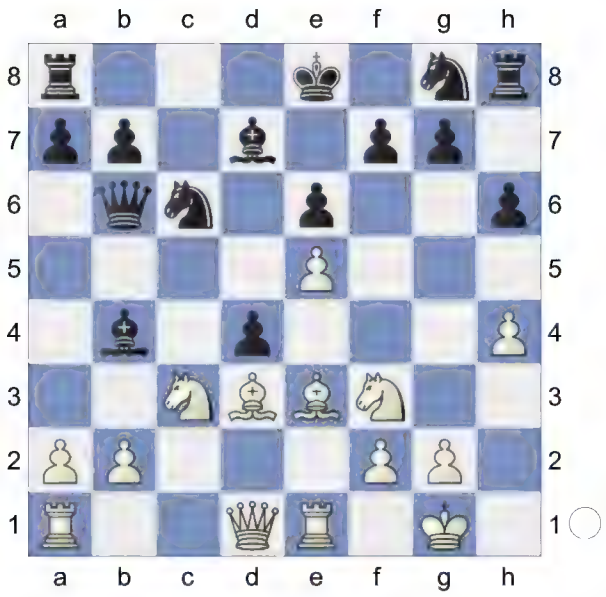
10.h4N 0.32/20

[10.Be3± 1.00/20 Qd8 11.Rc1]

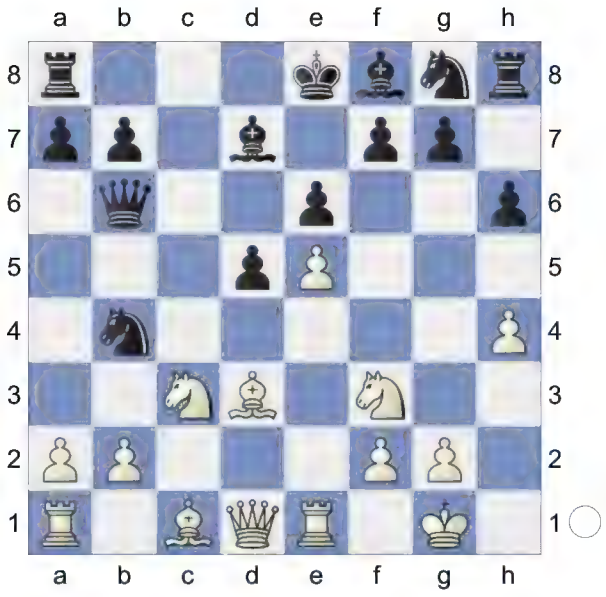
[10.a3 Rc8 11.Na4 Qd8 12.Be3 b6 13.b4 Nge7 14.Rc1 d4 15.Bxd4 Nxd4 16.Rxc8 Nxf3+ 17.Qxf3 Qxc8 0-1 Souza,R (1997)-Ticona Rocabado,L (2285) Caioba op 7th 2023 (2)]

10...Nb4!

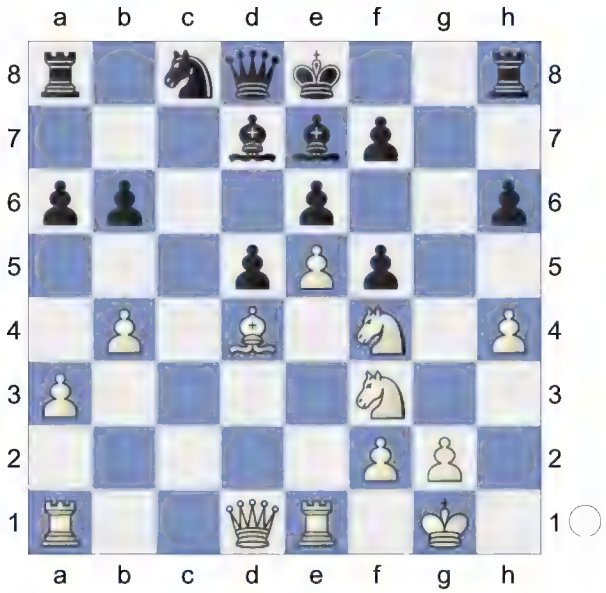
[Vorgänger: 10...Bb4 1.15/19 10...Nb4 0.34 11.Be3 d4 2.38/21 *(11...Qd8±* 0.91/18)



12.Nxd4!+- Nxd4 2.82/22 *(⌓12...Qd8* 1.99/19 *)* 13.Qg4+- Ne7 14.Bxd4 Bc5? 4.44/23 *(14...Qc7* 2.58/19 *15.Nb5 Bxb5 16.Bxb5+ Kf8)* 15.Bxc5+- Qxc5 16.Qxg7 Rg8 17.Qxh6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Ticona Rocabado,L (2146) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Early blitz 2023 (4)]



11.Be3! White has strong compensation.
11...Qd8 0.75/22
[11...Bc5± 0.34/22]
12.Bb1 Ne7 13.a3 Nbc6 14.b4→ White attacks. **14...g6** 0.96/17
[14...Nc8!± 0.59/17]
15.Nb5 0.49/19
[Better is 15.h5± 0.96/17]
15...Nc8 16.Bc5 -0.01/21
[16.h5± 0.81/19]
16...a6= Black is weak on the dark squares **17.Nbd4 N6e7?** 1.25/17
[17...Bxc5∓ -0.33/18 stays ahead. 18.bxc5 N8e7]
18.Ne2 0.13/18 White is much more active. The black rooks are passive.
[18.h5± 1.25/17]
18...b6 1.03/19
[18...Nb6!= 0.13/18]
19.Bd4 Black cannot hold the game after this. **19...Nf5?** 3.50/20
[19...Nc6± 0.86/18]
20.Bxf5+- gxf5 21.Nf4 Be7



22.Nxd5! Bc6
[22...exd5 23.e6 Bxe6 24.Bxh8+-]
[22...Rg8 23.Nf6+]
23.Nf6+ Excellent horsemanship.
23...Kf8? 5.49/19
[23...Bxf6 2.74/20 was worth a try. 24.Rc1 *(24.exf6 Be4+-)* 24...Bxh4 *(24...Bxf3? 25.Qxf3 Rb8 26.Qc6+*

Qd7 27.exf6+-) 25.Rxc6 Bg5 26.Nxg5 Qxg5]
24.Rc1 Na7 25.Qe2 Nb5 ...Bxf3 would now be deadly. **26.Bb2 Na7 27.Red1**
[27.Qxa6? is the wrong capture. Nb5-+]
27...Qc8 28.Nd4 Bxf6 29.exf6 Strongly threatening Nxc6. **29...Qb7 30.Nxc6 Nxc6 31.Qf3 Rd8 32.Rxd8+ Nxd8**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=1.42
33.Qxb7
1-0

147 **C02**
□ **Yip,Carissa** **2402**
■ **Abrahamyan,Tatev** **2344**
ch-USA w 2021 (2.2) 07.10.2021
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 The position is equal.
9...a6 10.h5 -0.12/20
[10.Nbd2! 0.30/19 deserves consideration.]
10...h6 0.33/23
[10...g6= -0.12/20 might be stronger.]
11.Qe2N -0.31/20
[11.Nbd2± 0.33/23 dxc3 12.bxc3 Qc7 13.c4 Nb4 14.Bf1 dxc4 15.Nxc4 Ned5 16.Bb2 Bc5 17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Qd2 Qb6 19.Rab1 Qa7 20.Bd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qc5 22.a3 Nc6 23.Rxb7 Rd8 24.Nxc6 Bxc6 25.Rc1 Qxd6 26.exd6 1-0 (33) Carlsen,M (2853)-Terry,R (2520) Titled Tue 13th Jun Early 2023 (11)]
11...f5 0.48/19
[11...dxc3∓ -0.31/20 12.bxc3 Rc8]
12.exf6 -0.87/18
[12.Na3± 0.48/19 stays ahead.]
12...gxf6∓ 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Nxd4 Qxd4 15.Be3 Qe5 0.36/24
[Black should play 15...Qh4∓ -1.21/18 ...e5 is the strong threat. 16.Nd2 Rg8]
16.Nd2 Hoping for Qf3. White has compensation. **16...Rg8! 17.f4↑** White has the initiative. **17...Qd6**
[17...Qxb2 18.Rab1 Qa3 19.Rxb7+-]
18.Qf2 Rc8 19.Rad1 Threatens to win with Bh7.
[19.Nb3!?]
19...Bc6? 2.87/20
[19...f5= 0.00/20]
20.Bh7+- Rg7

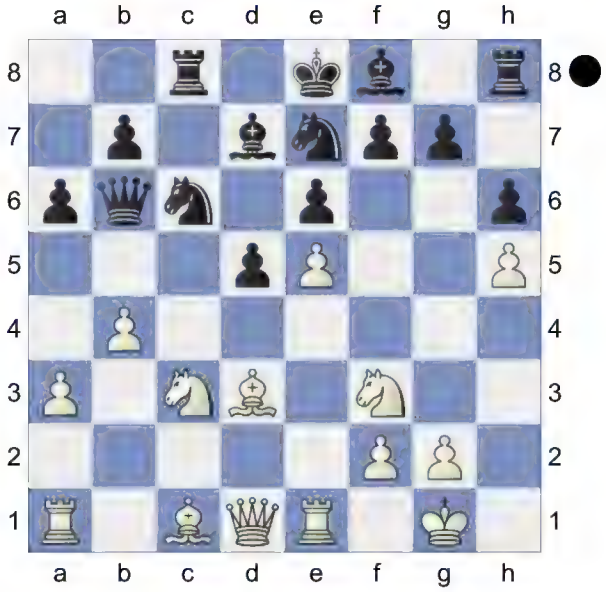
And now ...d4 would win. **21.Ne4!** Pin, Double Attack **21...Qc7**
[21...Qd8 22.f5]
22.Bb6? 1.64/18
[22.Nxf6+ 4.82/24 Kf7 23.f5 Nxf5 24.Bxf5 exf5 25.Qxf5]
22...dxe4 23.Bxc7 Rxh7 24.Bd6 Strongly threatening Bxe7. **24...Rg7 25.Rc1** Bxe7 would now be deadly. **25...Nf5** 3.26/21 Black cannot hold the

game after this.
[25...f5± 1.59/19 26.Red1 Rd8 27.Bxe7 Rxd1+ 28.Rxd1 Bxe7]
26.Bxf8 Kxf8 27.Rxe4 Pin **27...Rd8?** 5.20/18
[27...Kf7 3.18/18 28.Rec4 Ne7 29.Rxc6 bxc6]

28.Rxc6! White is clearly winning.
28...bxc6 29.Rxe6 Ng3 30.Rxf6+
[30.Rxc6? Rd1+-+ *(30...Nxh5? 31.Qc5+ Kg8 32.Qxh5+-; 30...Nxh5? 31.Qc5+ Kg8 32.Qxh5+-)*]
30...Ke7 (-> ...Rd1+) **31.Qc5+**
[31.Rxc6? too greedy. Rd1+-+ *(31...Nxh5 32.Qc5+ Kf7 33.Qxh5+ Kf8 34.Rf6+ Kg8 35.Rxh6 Kf8 36.Rh8+ Ke7 37.Qe5+ Kd7 38.Qxg7+; 31...Nxh5 32.Qc5+ Ke8 33.Qxh5+ Kd7 34.Rxa6 Ke7 35.Qc5+ Ke8 36.Re6+ Kf7 37.Qe7+ Kg8 38.Qxd8+)*]
31...Kxf6 32.Qe5+
[32.Qxc6+? perishes. Kf5 33.Kh2 Nf1+ *(33...Nxh5 34.Qc5+* Skewer *Kxf4 35.Qxh5=)* 34.Kg1 Ne3-+]
32...Kf7 White must now prevent ... Rd1+. **33.Qc7+** Skewer, Deflection, Double Attack.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/ Black=0.74
1-0

148 **C02**
□ **Borge,Nikolaj** **2388**
■ **Hansen,Lars** **2259**
60. TCh-DEN Ex 2022-23 (1.5) 29.10.22
[Kitty Kat]

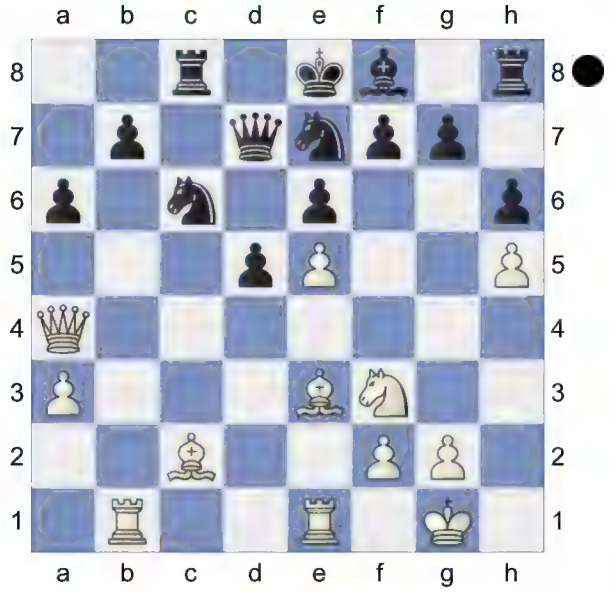
C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.a3 a6 11.h5 h6 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3**



Nxb4! 14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Be3N
[16.Bd2 Qc7 *(16...Nf5 17.Rab1 Qa7 18.Bxf5 exf5 19.Qf4 Bc5 20.Nh4 Nd4 21.Qg3 Kf8 22.Be3 Ne6 23.Nxf5 Bxe3 24.Rxe3 d4 25.Reb3 b5 26.a4 Kg8 27.axb5 axb5 28.Rxb5 Kh7 29.Rb7 Qa2 30.Nxd4 Rhf8 31.Nf5* Nemeth,M (2453)-Brilej,J (2321) Mati Losinj 2023

1-0 (71)) 17.Rab1 Qd7 18.Qg4 *(18.Nh4 Nxe5 19.Qb3 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Rc4 21.g3 Nc6 22.Nf5 Re4 23.f3 Ne5 24.Qb3 Rxe1+ 25.Rxe1 Nc4 26.Bc3 f6 27.Bd4 Kf7 28.Nh4 e5 29.Ng6 Rg8 30.Bf2 Bd6 31.Rd1 Qc6 32.Qd3 d4* Zhigalko,S (2572)-Galchenko,M (2438) chess.com INT 2023 [John Watson] 1-0 (55)) 18...Rc7 19.Nh4 Rg8 20.a4 g5 21.hxg6 fxg6 22.Nxg6 Nxg6 23.Bxg6+ Kd8 24.Qf3 Qg7 25.Bh5 Be7 26.Qh3 Kd7 27.Rb3 Bc5 28.Bxh6 Qh7 29.Rf3 Kc8 30.Qxe6+ Kb8 Lazic,M (2475)-Knoeppel,B (2141) Budapest 2023 TD 94\02 [John Watson] 1-0 (41)]

16...Qc7 17.Rab1 Qd7 18.Bc2 -0.65/20
[White should try 18.Red1= -0.01/18]



18...Nf5 -0.28/19
[18...Na5!∓ -0.65/20 19.Rb6 *(19.Qxa5 Rxc2)*

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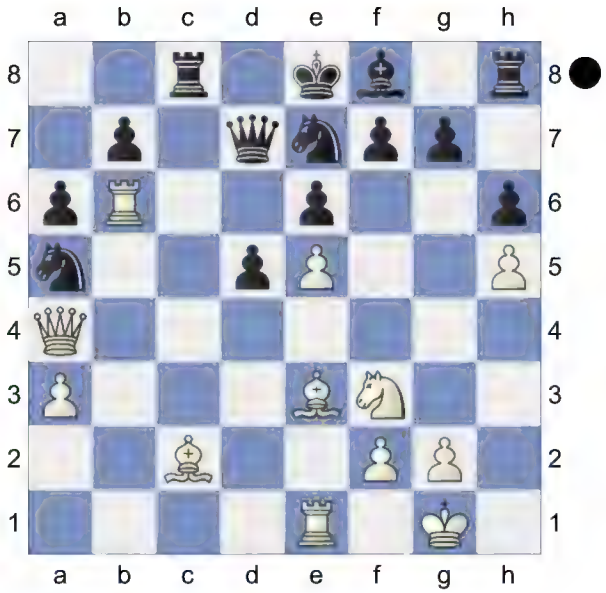


19...Rc6!]

19.Bb6 Be7 20.Qb3 Bd8 0.01/23
[Better is 20...0-0∓ -0.62/19]

21.Bxf5= Strongly threatening Bd3.

21...exf5 22.Bc5! Be7 23.Bxe7 Qxe7 24.Qxb7 Qxb7 25.Rxb7 0-0 26.Rb6 a5 0.25/23
[⌓26...d4 -0.21/21]

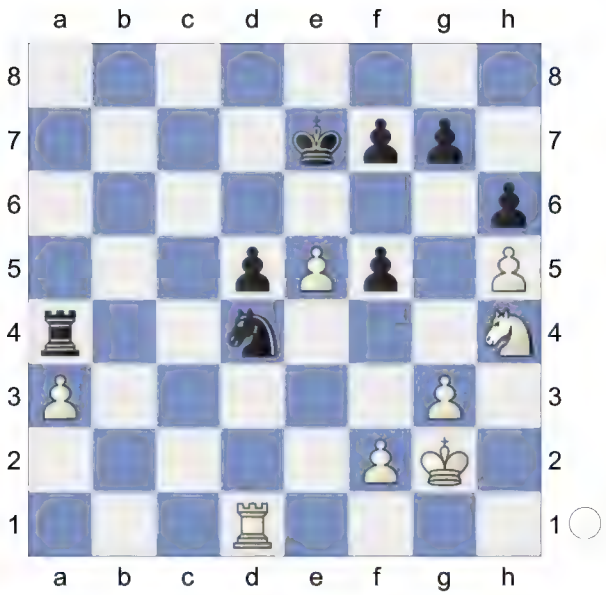
27.Ra6 Rfd8 28.Nh4 -0.18/20
[⌓28.Kf1 0.23/22]

28...Nd4 29.Rxa5 Ra8 30.Rxa8 Rxa8 31.Rd1 Ra4 32.g3 Kf8 0.63/23
[32...f6= -0.09/22]

33.Kg2 0.14/23
[33.f4± 0.63/23]

33...Ke7? 7.94/22
[33...f4= 0.14/23]

(Diagram)



34.Rxd4!+- Rxa3 35.Rxd5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) / Black=0.18 (very precise)
1-0

149 **C02**
□ **Buscara,Sevan** **2359**
■ **Md Imran** **2222**
12. Tamil Nadu IM Norm Closed Circuit (..
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4** The position is equal. **9...Rc8 10.h5 h6 11.Nbd2**
[11.Bc2 dxc3 12.Nxc3 d4 13.Na4 Qc7 14.Be4 Nd5 15.Bxd5 exd5 16.Nxd4 Nxd4 17.Qxd4 Qc4 18.Qxc4 Rxc4 19.Nc3 d4 20.Ne4 Bb4 21.Nd6+ Bxd6 22.exd6+ Be6 23.b3 Rc5 24.Bb2 Rd5 25.Rad1 Rxd6 Holzmann,M (2537)-Seryshev,V (2680) Finistere 2008 Telechess CBM 89 [Pierce book p30-31] ½-½]
11...g5N 0.27/19
[⌓11...dxc3 -0.10/18 12.bxc3
A) 12...Qc7 13.Rb1 Na5 14.c4 *(14.Ba3 Qxc3 15.Nb3 Nec6 16.Rc1 Qxe1+ 17.Qxe1 Bxa3 18.Rc2 Nxb3 19.axb3 0-0 20.Qe3 Be7 21.Nd4 Nb4 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Bb1 a5 24.Nf3 a4 25.bxa4 Bxa4 26.Kh2 b5 27.Qa7 Bf8 28.Qd7 Ra8* Guo,A (2432)-Ostrovskiy,A (2404) New York 2022 CBM 211 [Braun, Christian] 1-0 (35) *)* 14...dxc4 15.Bc2 Nd5 16.Ne4 b5 17.Be3 a6 18.Bd4 Nb7 19.Nfd2 Rd8 20.Qg4 Bc6 21.Rbd1 Nb4 22.Nd6+ Nxd6 23.exd6 Rxd6 24.Bb1 Qd7 25.Bc5 Rd5 26.Ne4 Nd3 27.Bxd3 Nicolas,G (2085)-Zounani,Y (2125) Albi 2022 ½-½ (45);
B) 12...Na5 13.Rb1 Qd8 14.Nb3 Nxb3 15.Qxb3 Nc6 16.Qxb7 Na5 17.Qb2 Nc4 18.Qe2 Be7 19.Nd4 Qa5 20.Rb3 Ba4 21.Bxc4 dxc4 22.Rb7 Qa6 23.Qf3 Bc6 24.Rxe7+ Kxe7 25.Nxc6+ Rxc6 26.Ba3+ Ke8 27.Bb4 Qc8 Hector,J (2439)-Hansen,L (2216) Malmö SWE 2021 [John Watson] 1-0 (36)]
[11...Nf5 12.g4 Ne3 13.fxe3 dxe3 14.Kh1 exd2 15.Bxd2 d4 16.Rc1 dxc3 17.Bxc3 Nb4 18.Bb1 Qf2 19.Be4 Qg3 20.Rg1 Qh3+ 21.Nh2 Nxa2 22.Bxb7 Nxc1 23.Qxc1 Bc6+ 24.Bxc6+ Rxc6 25.Qd1 Qe3 26.Qa4 Calzetta Ruiz,M (2174)-Farrell,N (2101) Colonia de Sant Jordi 2023 0-1 (40)]
12.Nb3 dxc3 13.bxc3 Bg7 14.Rb1 Qc7 15.Nc5 Nxe5 16.Nxe5 Bxe5 17.Rxb7 -0.64/21
[17.Nxd7± 0.33/21 Kxd7 18.c4]
17...Bh2+∓ 18.Kh1 Qxc5 19.Kxh2 Bc6

[Of course not 19...Qxf2?! 20.Qe2 Qxe2 21.Bxe2∓]
20.Rb2 Qxc3 21.Rc2 Qb4 22.Bb2 d4 0.06/21
[Black should play 22...0-0∓ -0.46/21 23.Qf3 Bd7 24.Rxc8 Rxc8]
23.Qc1= 0-0 24.Ba3 White has compensation. **24...Qb8+ 25.Kg1 Ba4 26.Rc5**
[Avoid the trap 26.Bxe7? Bxc2 27.Bxc2 d3 28.Bxf8 Rxc2-+]
26...Nd5 Hoping for ...Nf4. **27.Qc4 Bd7 28.Qxd4** And now Rxd5 would win. **28...Rxc5 29.Bxc5 Rc8 30.Bxa7** This bishop pair is nice. **30...Qb4 31.Qe5 f6 32.Qa1 Ra8 33.Rb1?** -2.21/22 White is on the road to losing. **33...Qa3-+ 34.Bc4** Threatens to win with Bd4. **34...Qxa7 35.Bxd5 exd5 36.Qxf6 Be8** Inhibits Qg6+.
[36...Qxa2? 37.Qg6+ Kh8 38.Qxh6+ Kg8 39.Qxg5+ Kf8 40.Qf6+ Kg8 41.Qg6+ Kh8 42.h6+-]
[36...Qa6? 37.Rb8+!! Bc8 38.Rb6+-]
37.Qxh6 Qe7 38.Rb6? -3.96/23
[38.Rb3 -2.23/21 Qe1+ 39.Kh2 Qe5+ 40.Rg3]
38...Qe1+ 39.Kh2 Qe5+ 40.g3 Rxa2
[But not 40...g4? 41.Qd2-+]
41.Rf6 Bf7 White must now prevent ... d4. **42.Kg2 Qe4+?** -1.26/24
[42...d4-+ -5.80/25 and Black stays clearly on top. 43.Rxf7 Kxf7 44.Qh7+ Kf8 45.Qh6+ Ke7]
43.Kh2? -5.11/24
[43.Kh3∓ -1.26/24]
43...Qe5? 0.01/19
[43...Qe3-+ -5.11/24 44.Kg2 Qe5]
44.Kg2= d4 45.Rxf7 -8.36/25
[⌓45.Kh3 -5.09/24]
45...Kxf7-+ 46.Qh7+
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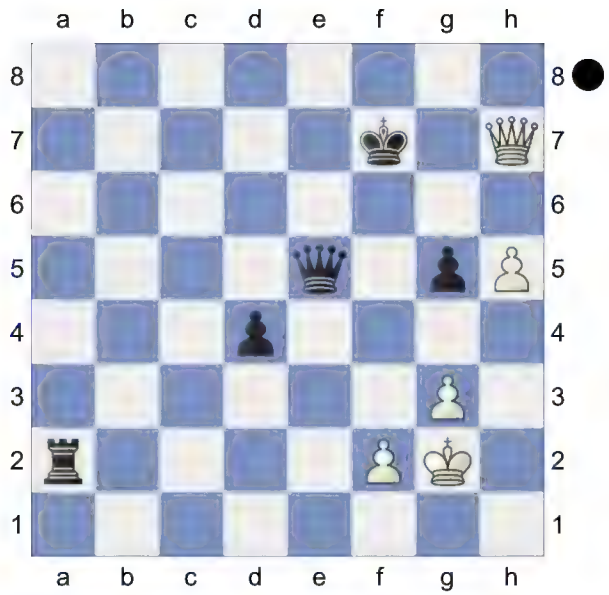


Kf8! 47.Qh6+ Ke7 48.Qh7+ Kd6 49.Qb1 Qd5+ 50.Kg1 d3 (→ ...d2) **51.Qb6+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.60/Black=0.45
0-1

150 **C02**
□ **Tsolakidou,Stavroula** **2337**
■ **Tan,Zhongyi** **2510**
'the Belt and Road'5. Shanxi World Wom..
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6 9.h3** The position is equal. **9...Rc8N**
[9...Nf5 10.Nbd2 Be7 11.Nb3 dxc3 12.bxc3 a5 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Bxf5 exf5 15.Nbd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 0-0 17.e6 fxe6 18.Nxe6 Bxe6 19.Rxe6 Rad8 20.Qe2 Bc5 21.Bg5 Rd7 22.Qf3 b6 23.Bf4 Qd8 24.Rbe1 Ranniku (2306)-Safyanovsky,M (2110) Novi Sad 2023 Inf11 [John Watson] 1-0]
[9...Be7 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Nf5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 h6 14.Bf4 Qd8

15.g4 Nh4 16.Nxh4 Bxh4 17.Nc5 0-0 18.Nxb7 Qc7 19.Nd6 Rab8 20.g5 Rxb1 21.Bxb1 g6 22.gxh6 Kh8 23.Qg4 Be7 24.Bxg6 Mamedov,R (2654)-Bluebaum,M (2672) chess24.com INT 2020 [John Watson] 1-0 Bxd6 25.Bh7 1-0 (25) Mercado Florez,D (2654)-Chaudagne,C (2672) 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A]]

10.Nbd2 Bc5 0.46/20

[10...Nf5= -0.12/19]

11.Qe2 -0.09/20

[11.Rb1± 0.46/20]

11...dxc3 12.bxc3 Nf5 13.Nb3 Be7 14.Rb1 0-0 15.Bf4 Qd8 16.Qd2 -0.39/18

[16.Bxf5= 0.14/19 exf5 17.Nfd4]

16...Nh4 -0.08/21

[16...b6∓ -0.39/18]

17.Nxh4= Bxh4 18.Nc5 Na5

[18...b6!? 19.Nb7 Qe7=]

19.Nxb7 Nxb7 20.Rxb7 Rc7 21.Reb1 Bc6 22.Rxc7 Qxc7 23.Bg5 Bxg5 24.Qxg5 h6 25.Qe3 Rc8 26.Rb4 Be8 27.Ba6 Rd8

[27...Qxc3? 28.Qxc3 Rxc3 29.Rb8+-]

28.Rg4 Kf8 29.Qg3 g5 30.h4 f5 31.exf6 Qxg3 32.Rxg3 gxh4± Endgame KRB-KRB **33.Rg4 Rd6! 34.Bd3 e5! 35.Rxh4 Rxf6 36.Bc2 Ke7 37.Bb3 Bc6** 0.01/19

[37...Kd6!∓ -0.32/22]

38.Rb4 -0.41/22

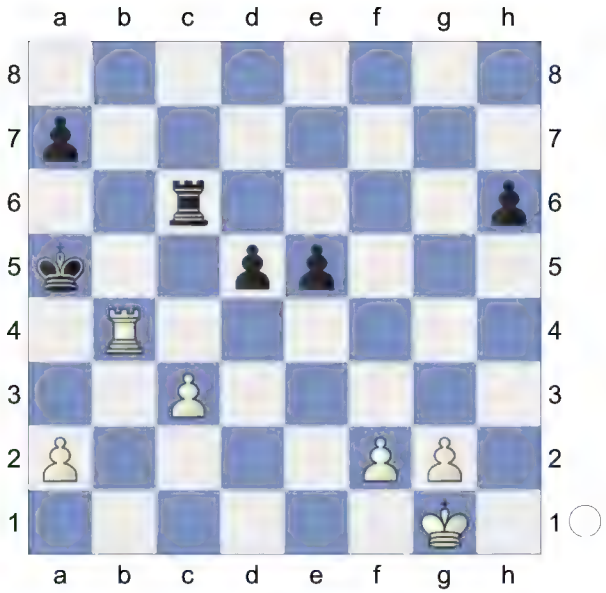
[38.f3= 0.01/19]

38...Kd6∓ 39.Ba4 Kc5 And now ...d4 would win. **40.Bxc6 Rxc6∓** KR-KR **41.Ra4 Kb5** -0.25/21

[41...h5∓ -0.68/20]

42.Rb4+= Ka5

(Diagram)



...d4! is the strong threat. **43.Rb3 Ka4 44.Rb4+ Ka5 45.Rb3 Ka4** -0.01/19

[Black should play 45...Rc5∓ -0.59/20]

46.Rb4+! Ka3! 47.Rb5 Rd6 48.Ra5+ -1.31/5

[48.Kf1∓ -0.70/23]

48...Kb2∓ 49.Rxa7 -1.98/23

[49.Kf1 -1.64/23 was worth a try.]

49...Kxc3-+ 50.Kf1 Rb6 -1.38/24

[50...Kd2-+ -2.59/24 Threatens to win with ...Rc6. 51.Re7 e4]

51.Ke2∓ Rb2+ 52.Kf3 d4 53.Rc7+? -3.44/21 White does not recover from this.

[53.Rh7∓ -1.22/22 was necessary.]

53...Kd3-+ 54.Re7 Re2

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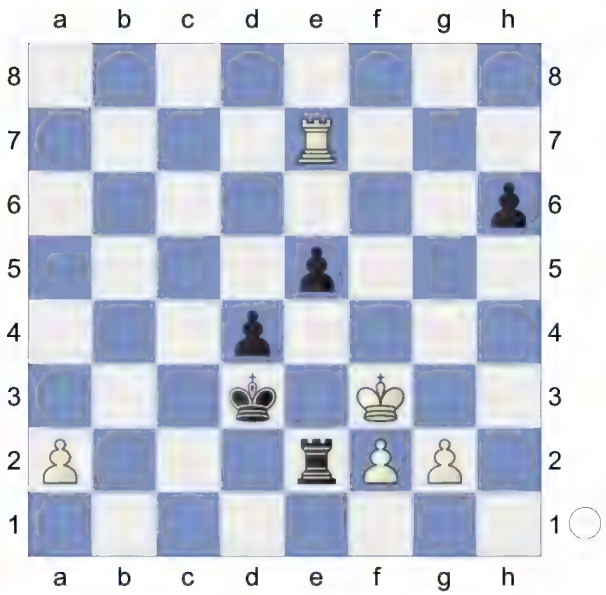
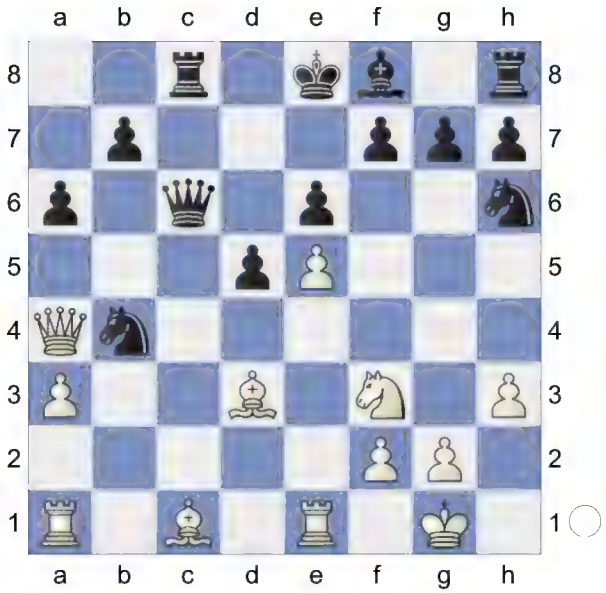


Hoping for ...e4+. **55.a4 e4+ 56.Kg3 Ra2 57.Re6** -5.15/23
[⌓57.a5 -3.64/21 h5 58.a6 Rxa6 59.Re5]
57...Rxa4 Strongly threatening ...h5.
58.Rxh6? -11.72/21
[58.Kf4 -2.90/21 Ra8 59.g4]
58...Ke2 59.Re6 d3 White must now prevent ...d2. **60.f4 d2 61.Rd6 Ra3+**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.53/ Black=0.16 (very precise)
0-1

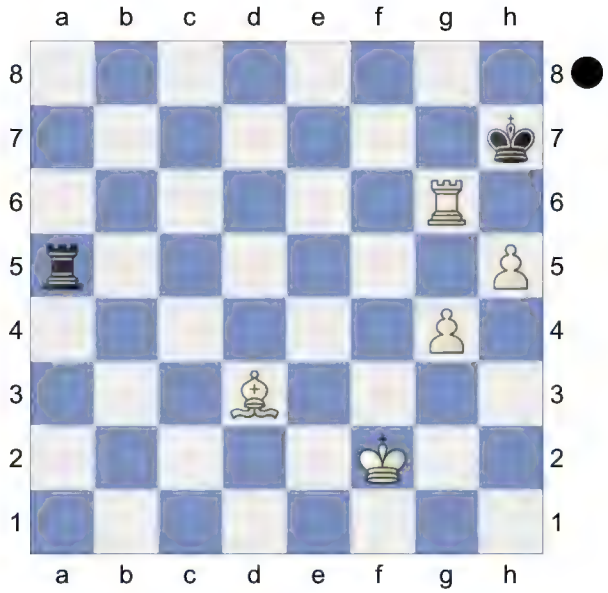
151 **C02**
□ **Bodnaruk,Anastasia** **2334**
■ **Nakhbayeva,Guliskhan** **2326**
Titled Tue 28. Jan Early (1) 28.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0!** outshines the older 7.cxd4. erfolgreicher als das alte 7.cxd4. outshines the older 7.cxd4.erfolgreicher als das alte 7.cxd4. **7...Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6 9.h3** The position is equal. **9...Rc8**
[9...Be7 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 Nf5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 h6 14.Bf4 Qd8 15.g4 Nh4 16.Nxh4 Bxh4 17.Nc5 0-0 18.Nxb7 Qc7 19.Nd6 Rab8 20.g5 Rxb1 21.Bxb1 g6 22.gxh6 Kh8 23.Qg4 Be7 24.Bxg6 Mercado Florez,D (2654)-Chaudagne, C (2672) 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A] 1-0]
10.a3 a6 11.b4N
[11.c4 dxc4 12.Bxc4 Nf5 13.Bd3 Be7 14.Nbd2 Qc7 15.Qe2 h6 0.54/21 *(*Better is *15...0-0=* 0.00/19 *)* 16.g4 Nh4 17.Nxh4! Bxh4 1-0 Motylev,A (2602)-Ghimpu,S (2472) ROM-chT Eforie Nord 2023 (7. 3) 1-0 (35) Motylev,A (2602)-Ghimpu, S (2472) ROM-chT Eforie Nord 2023 (7.3) 18.Nc4 Be7 19.Bf4 Qd8 20.Rac1 Kf8 21.Qf3 Kg8 22.Bg3 g6 23.h4 Kg7 24.h5 b5 25.Nd6 Bxd6 26.exd6 Qf6 27.Qxf6+ Kxf6 28.Rxc6 Bxc6 29.Be5+ Kg5 30.Kh2 f6 31.Bxd4 gxh5 32.Rxe6 Rhf8 Novik (2602)-Lupulescu,C (2472) Biel 2023 The Week in Chess 273 [John Watson] 1-0 (35) 33.Kg3 hxg4 34.Bxf6+ Kh5 35.Re5# 1-0 (35) Motylev,A (2602)-Ghimpu,S (2472) Eforie Nord 2023]
11...dxc3 12.Nxc3
[Don't play 12.Bxh6 gxh6 13.Nxc3 Nd4∓]
12...Nxb4 13.Na4 Bxa4 14.Qxa4+ Qc6? 4.13/22
[14...Nc6= -0.01/23]

(Diagram)



White leaves nothing to chance now.
15.axb4+- Qxa4 16.Rxa4 Be7 17.b5 0-0 18.bxa6 bxa6 19.Rxa6 Bb4 20.Rd1 Rfd8 21.Nd4 Bc3 22.Nc6 Re8 23.Bxh6 gxh6!= -0.01/25 **24.Bb1**
[24.Rc1 d4]
24...Ra8 25.Bd3 -0.01/25
[25.Rb6+- 3.88/26]
25...Rxa6?? 3.62/24 **26.Bxa6 Ra8 27.Bb5 Kf8 28.Rd3 Ra1+ 29.Kh2 Bb2 30.Nd4?** 1.00/26
[30.Rb3+- 3.72/23 Ba3 31.f4]
30...Re1? 2.93/25
[30...Ra5± 1.00/26]
31.Nf3 Bxe5+ 32.Nxe5 Rxe5 Endgame KRB-KR **33.Rb3 Re4 34.Bd3 Rf4 35.Kg3**
[Less strong is 35.Bxh7 Rxf2 36.Kg3 Rd2±]
35...Ra4 36.Bxh7 Kg7 37.Bd3 Kf6 38.Be2 Kg5 39.Rb7 Ra3+ 40.f3 f5 41.h4+ Kf6 42.Rd7 Ke5 43.Rh7 d4 44.Kf2 Ra2 45.Rd7 Kf6? 6.37/25
[45...Rb2 3.61/23 46.g3 h5]
46.Rxd4 e5 47.Rd6+ Kg7 48.h5 e4 49.fxe4 fxe4 50.Ke3 Kf7 51.Rxh6 9.76/22
[⌓51.Bc4+ #10/22 Ke7 52.Re6+ Kd8 53.Bxa2 Kd7 54.Rxh6 Ke7 55.Rg6 Kf8 56.h6]
51...Kg7 52.Rg6+ Kh7 53.Rg4 Ra3+ 54.Kxe4 Ra4+ 55.Kf3 Ra3+ 56.Kf2 Ra2 57.Rf4 Kh6 58.g4 Ra5 59.Rf6+ Kg7 60.Rg6+ Kh7 61.Bd3



White threatens Rg5+ and mate.
61...Ra2+ 62.Ke3 White mates.
62...Kh8 63.h6 Ra3 64.h7 Kxh7 65.Ra6+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/Black=0.70
1-0

152 **C02**
□ **Sieber,Fiona** **2280**
■ **Kucharska,Honorata** **2207**
Antwerp World Uni op (Women) (7)
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0!** scheint profitabler als 7.cxd4. **7...Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 Nf5 10.Bxf5 exf5 11.cxd4 h6**
[11...Be7 12.Nc3 Be6 13.Bg5 Bb4 14.Rc1 h6 15.Bd2 Be7 16.Na4 Qb5 17.b4 a5 18.bxa5 Nxa5 19.Rb1 Qc6

20.Nb6 Ra6 21.Bxa5 Rxa5 22.a4 Bd8 23.Qd2 Bxb6 24.Rec1 Qxa4 25.Rxb6 0-0 26.Rxb7 4.a3Ba6/ 10. Be2 (2582)-Kramer,A (2603) Cap d'Agde 2023 CT-2292 [John Watson] ½-½ (31)]

12.Nc3

[12.a3 Be6 13.Qd3 a5 14.Nc3 Be7 15.Ne2 Qa6 16.Qb1 a4 17.Ng3 g6 18.Bd2 Qb6 19.Qd3 Qa6 20.Qe3 Qb5 21.Rab1 Qb3 22.Bc3 Rc8 23.Ne2 Nd8 24.Nc1 Qb5 25.Nd3 g5 26.Bb4 f4 Maltsevskaya,A (2356)-Kucharska,H (2207) Sypniewo 2022 1-0 (48)]

12...Be6 13.Ne2

[13.a3 Rc8 14.h5 Be7 15.Ne2 Na5 16.b4 Nc4 17.Qd3 a5 18.bxa5 Qxa5 19.Ng3 g6 20.Rb1 b6 21.Re2 Qa4 22.Rc2 Qd7 23.Qe2 g5 24.Rc3 f4 25.Nf1 Bf5 26.Ra1 0-0 27.N1d2 b5 Escalona Landi,S (2286)-Christie,J (2201) San Salvador 2023 [John Watson] 0-1]

13...Be7 14.Rb1N

[Vorgänger: 14.h5 0-0 15.Rb1 Rfc8 16.Nf4 a5 17.Kh1 Nb4 18.Nxe6 fxe6 19.Rg1 Qb5 20.g4 1-0 (74) Piorun,K (2640)-Vastrukhin,O (2376) Warsaw 2021 Qd3 21.Qxd3 Nxd3 22.gxf5 Nxf2+ 23.Kh2 exf5 24.Rg2 Ng4+ 25.Kg3 Kf7 26.Bf4 Rc4 27.Rd1 Rac8 28.Ne1 b5 29.Re2 Ke6 30.Rd3 a4 31.b3 axb3 32.axb3 R4c6 33.Ra2 g5 34.hxg6 Rg8 35.Kf3 Rasmussen,P (2640)-2.♗g5 ♘e4 3.♗f4 e6 (2376) Heviz HUN 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Rabinovich,A] 1-0 (74) Rxg6 36.Ng2 b4 37.Bg3 Bg5 38.Ra4 Rc3 39.Rxc3 bxc3 40.Ra6+ Kf7 41.Ra7+ Ke8 42.Rc7 Bd2 43.Nf4 Rb6 44.Nxd5 Rxb3 45.Ke2 Bg5 46.e6 Kf8 47.e7+ Kf7 48.Rc8 Bxe7 49.Rc7 c2 50.Rxe7+ Piorun,K (2640)-Vastrukhin,O (2376) Warsaw 2021 [John Watson] 1-0 (74)]

14...Rc8 15.b4 Qd8 0.52/19

[15...Bxb4? 16.a3+-]

[Black should try 15...a5= 0.01/21]

16.b5 Na5 17.h5 0-0 18.a4 Nc4 19.Bd2 b6 20.Nf4 Qd7 21.Bb4 Bxb4 22.Rxb4 Qe7 23.Rb3 Na5 24.Rd3 Rc7! 25.Nd2 Qh4 0.50/21

[25...Nc4= 0.01/22 should be considered. 26.Rc3 Rfc8]

26.g3 Qe7 27.Nf1 Nc4 28.Qa1 0.16/22 Inhibits Nb2.

[28.Qb3± 0.60/21]

28...Ra8 29.Rc3 a6! 30.Qb1 axb5 31.Qxb5 Ra5 32.Qb3 Rca7 33.Ne3 Nxe3 34.Rexe3 R7a6 0.34/24

[34...Rxa4= 0.01/24 35.Qxb6 Rb7]

35.Rc6 Rxa4 36.Rxb6 Rxb6 0.75/25

[36...Qc7= 0.25/24 37.Rxa6 Rxa6]

37.Qxb6± Qa7 38.Qd8+ 0.22/5

[38.Qxa7± 0.83/26 Rxa7 39.Rb3]

38...Kh7= Strongly threatening ...Ra1+.

39.Qe8

[39.Nxd5? Ra1+ 40.Kg2 Qb7-+]

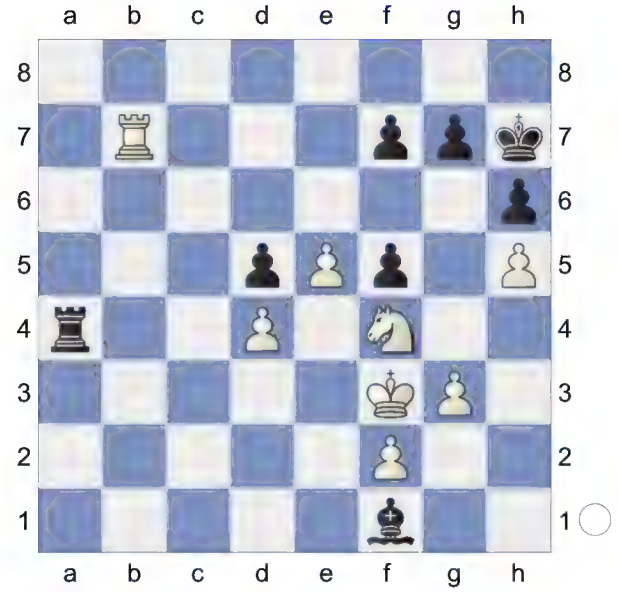
39...Ra1+ 40.Kg2!⇄ White is not holding back **40...Qa6** (→ ...Qf1+)

41.Ng6 Active counter play! **41...Qa8** 0.86/29

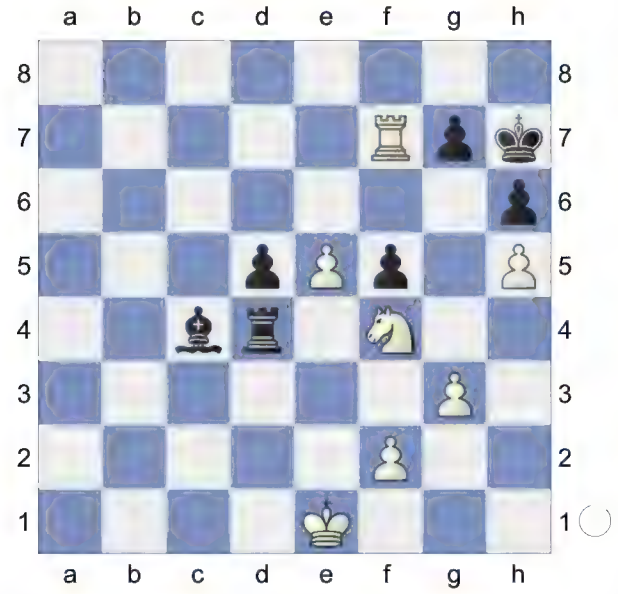
[41...Qf1+= -0.01/27 keeps the balance. 42.Kf3 Qd1+ 43.Re2 Qh1+ 44.Kf4 Qxh5 45.Nf8+ Kh8 46.Nxe6+ Kh7 47.Nf8+ Kh8 48.Ng6+ Kh7 49.Nf8+ *(49.Qxf7* is a self mate. *Qg4+ 50.Ke3 Qe4+ 51.Kd2 Qxd4+ 52.Kc2 Ra2+ 53.Kc1 Qa1#)* 49...Kh8 50.Ng6+ Kh7 51.Nf8+ *(51.Qxf7 Qg4+ 52.Ke3 Qe4+ 53.Kd2 Qxd4+ 54.Kc2 Ra2+ 55.Kc1 Qa1#)*]

42.Qxa8± Dancing on a razor blade.

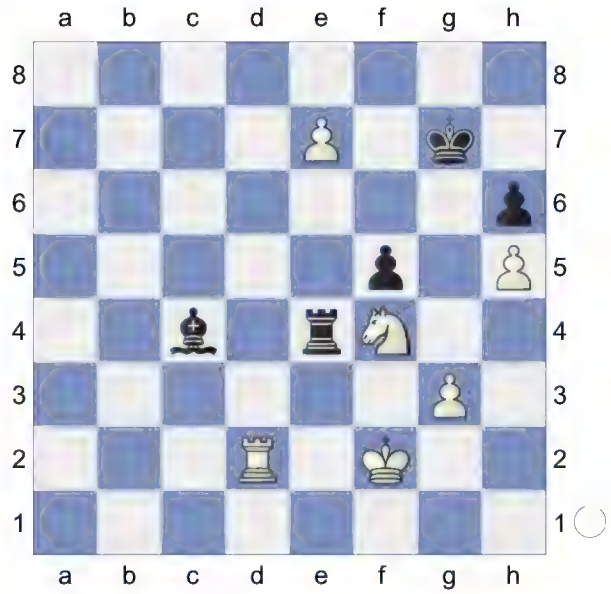
42...Rxa8 Endgame KRB-KRN **43.Nf4 Ra4 44.Rd3 Bd7 45.Kf3**
[Don't blunder 45.Nxd5? Bc6 46.Kf3 Bxd5+-+]
45...Bb5 1.57/24
[⌓45...Be6 0.90/25]
46.Rb3! Bc4 3.73/27
[46...Bd7± 1.24/22]
47.Rb7+- Bf1



...Ra3+ is the strong threat. **48.Ke3! Ra3+ 49.Kd2 Ra4 50.Rxf7 Rxd4+ 51.Ke1 Bc4**



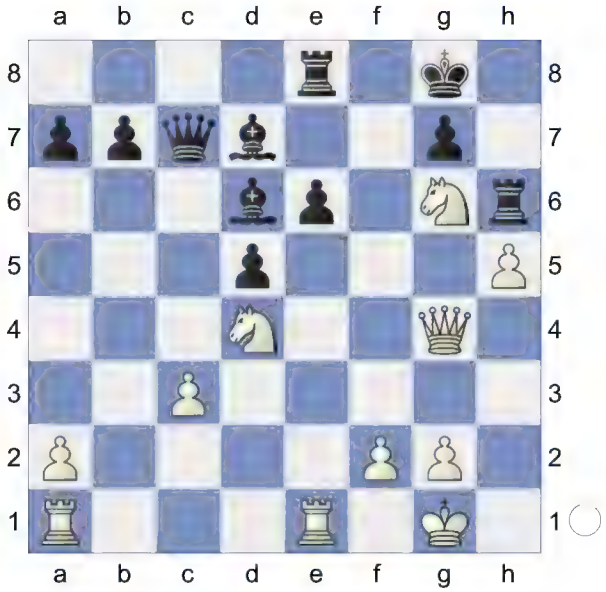
52.Rxg7+!! Kh8 White must now prevent ...Re4+. **53.Ra7 Re4+ 54.Kd2** Threatens to win with f3. **54...d4 55.Rc7 Bb5 56.Rb7 Bc4 57.Rb4 Ba2 58.f3 Re3 59.Rxd4 Rxf3 60.Rd3 Rf2+** 4.97/25
[60...Rxd3+ 2.22/26 is a better defense. 61.Kxd3 Kg7]
61.Ke3 Rf1 62.Rd2 Bc4 63.e6 1.97/27
[⌓63.Rd6 3.61/23]
63...Re1+ 64.Kf2 Re4 65.e7 Kg7



66.Ng6 0.83/22
[66.Rd4!!+- 1.99/25 Threatening mate with Rxe4. Kf7 67.e8B+ *(67.Rd6 Rxe7 68.Rxh6 Kg8±)* 67...Kxe8 68.Rd6]
66...Bf7± 67.Re2 0.00/34
[67.Rd6± 0.83/25]
67...Rxe2+= The position is equal.
68.Kxe2 KB-KN **68...Kf6 69.Kf3 Bxg6** Remove Defender **70.hxg6 Kxe7 71.Kf4 Kf6 72.g7 Kxg7 73.Kxf5 Kf7** Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) / Black=0.25 (precise)
½-½

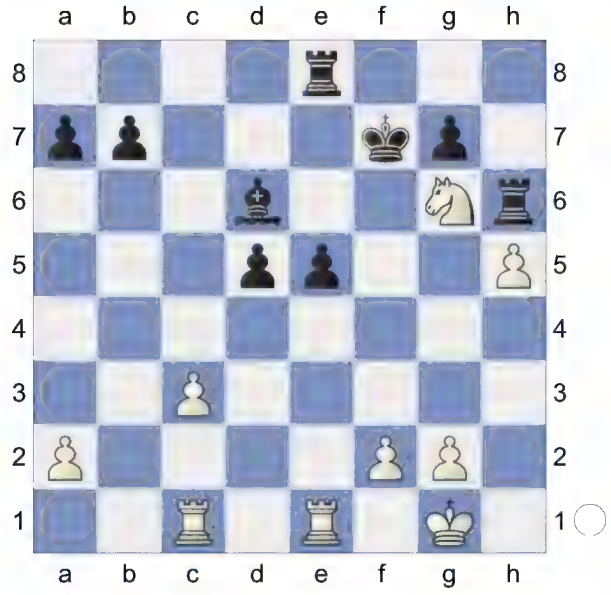
153 **C02**
□ **Nurgaliyeva,Zarina** **2265**
■ **Astafurov,Arseniy** **2263**
Titled Tue 7. Jan Early (7) 07.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7! 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 White has an edge.
9...Rc8 10.Nbd2 dxc3 11.bxc3 0.13/20
[11.Nb3± 0.49/20]
11...Qc7
[11...Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.c4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.Ne4 Nd5 16.Nd4 a6 17.Nf5 Qxe5 18.Ned6+ Bxd6 19.Rxe5 Bxe5 20.Rxb7 Bc6 21.Ra7 exf5 22.Ba3 c3 23.Qe2 f6 24.f4 Nxf4 25.Re7+ Kd8 26.Qxa6 1-0 (55) Eyesless18 (2875)-Erebuni91 (2739) Blitz 2024]
12.Nb3 Ng6 0.71/20
[12...Na5!= 0.11/19]
13.Qe2± f6 14.Bxg6+N -0.40/20
[14.exf6± 0.79/21 gxf6 15.c4 *(15.h5 Nf4 16.Bxf4 Qxf4 17.g3 Qd6 18.Nfd4 Nxd4 19.cxd4 Kf7 20.Nc5 b6 21.Nb3 Bh6 22.Qg4 Rhg8 23.Qf3 Rg7 24.Re2 Rc3 25.Bg6+ hxg6 26.hxg6+ Rxg6 27.Qxc3 Bf4 28.Kg2 e5 29.Rh1 Rg7* 1-0 (38) Rosenberg,E (1984)-Barash,A (2138) Titled Tuesday intern op 27th Sep Late blitz 2022 (10) *)*]
14...hxg6∓ 15.Bf4
[15.Qd3 is interesting. Kf7 16.Bf4 Rh5 17.Qe3]
15...Nxe5 0.21/23
[15...Nd8!∓ -0.49/20]
16.Bxe5= fxe5 17.Nxe5 Bd6!
[17...Rxh4? 18.Qf3 Qd6 19.Qf7+ *(19.Nxg6 Qh2+ 20.Kf1 Bb5+ 21.c4 Bxc4+)* 19...Kd8 20.g3+- *(20.Qxg6 Kc7∓)*]
18.Nxg6 A dynamic duo of knights.
[18.Nxd7 simplifies Qxd7 19.Qxe6+ Qxe6 20.Rxe6+ Be7 21.Rae1]
18...Rh6⇄ Black is fighting back **19.Qg4** -1.69/24
[19.h5= 0.01/25]
19...Kf7? 0.23/22
[19...Qxc3-+ -1.69/24 and ...Qf6 would now be decisive 20.Rxe6+ Kf7 Pin 21.Qf5+ Kg8]
20.h5 Kg8 1.02/24
[20...Qxc3= 0.18/24 keeps the balance. 21.Rad1 Rc4]
21.Nd4 0.33/21
[21.Rxe6± 1.02/24 aiming for Rd1!. Bh2+ 22.Kh1]
White now steadily converts the win.
21...Re8 1.51/20
[21...Qxc3± 0.33/21 22.Rab1 a6 *(22...Rc4 23.Qg5±)*]



22.Rac1 0.88/19 White is more active.
[22.Nxe6? loses. Qc8 23.a4 *(23.Ngf4? Bxe6 24.Qg5 Be7-+)* 23...Bxe6-+ *(23...Rxe6? 24.Rxe6 Bxe6 25.Qe2-+)*]
[⌓22.Re3! 1.51/20]

22...e5 1.62/22
[22...Bh2+± 0.88/19 23.Kh1 Bd6]
23.Nf5+- Bxf5 24.Qxf5 Qf7 25.Qxf7+ Kxf7

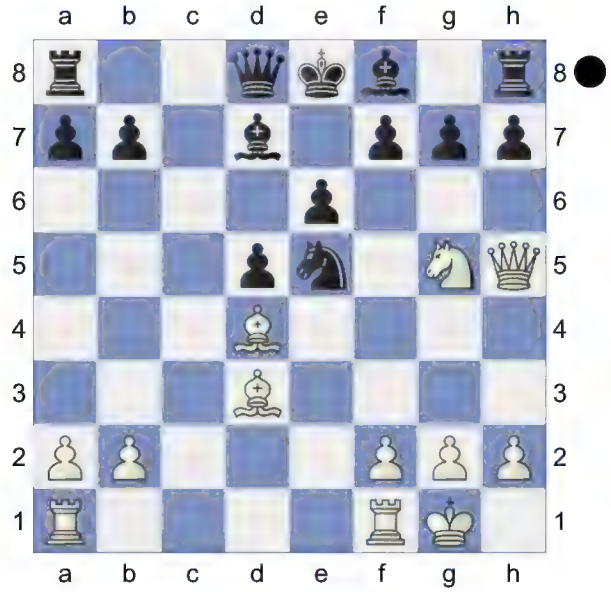


26.g4 Re6 2.23/20
[26...Rc8± 1.41/20]
27.Rcd1 d4 5.47/21
[27...Rhxg6 1.75/24 28.hxg6+ Rxg6]
28.cxd4 exd4 29.Rxe6 Kxe6 30.Rxd4
Endgame KRB-KRN. White is a pawn up. **30...b5 31.Kg2 a5 32.f4 Bc5 33.f5+ Kf6 34.Rd5 Bb4 35.Rxb5 Kg5 36.Kh3 Rh7 37.Rb7 Kf6 38.Ra7 Kg5 39.Ra6 Rh6 40.Rb6 Rh7 41.a4 Rh6 42.f6 gxf6 43.Rb5+ f5**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/ Black=0.62
44.Rxf5#
1-0

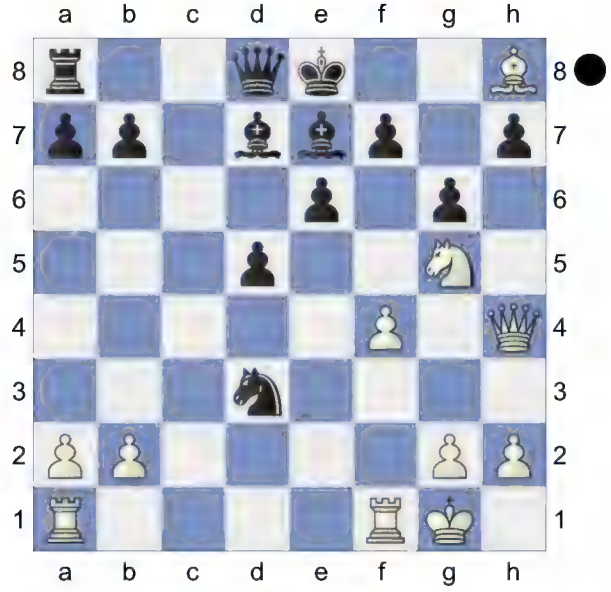
154 **C02**
□ **Kesidis,Odyseas** **2241**
■ **Pacher,Milan** **2310**
EU-ch Blitz Skopje (8) 09.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.cxd4 Nxd4 9.Nbd2! Nxf3+
9...Ne7 might become the main line. 9...Se7 könnte zur Hauptfortsetzung werden. **10.Nxf3 Ne7** 0.45/20
[10...Bc5= -0.04/19]
11.Be3± Qd8 White has an edge.
12.Ng5 -0.01/18
[Better is 12.Rc1± 0.50/19 Nc6 13.a3 Be7 14.b4 a6 15.g3 0-0 16.h4 f6 17.exf6 Bxf6 18.Bb1 Ne5 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.Qh5 Rf5 21.Bxf5 exf5 22.Rfd1 Bc6 23.Qxf5 1-0 (24) Kjetil Lie80 (2637)-madcap tr (2545) Blitz 2024]
12...Ng6N 1.87/23
[12...h6= -0.01/18 13.Nh7 Bc6 *(13...Nc6 14.Nxf8 Kxf8 15.f4 g6 16.g4 Qh4 17.Qf3 h5 18.g5 Qg4+ 19.Qxg4 hxg4 20.Be2 Rh3 21.Bf2 Kg7 22.Bxg4 Rd3 23.Rad1 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 Ne7 25.Bc5 Nf5 26.Bxf5 gxf5 27.Be7 Rc8 28.Bf6+* ½-½ (34) Finegold,B (2400)-Lorenzo De la Riva,L (2415) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (7) *)*]
[12...g6 13.Qf3 Nf5 14.Bxf5 gxf5 15.Qh5 Qe7 16.Rac1 b6 17.Nf3 Qb4 18.Ng5 Qe7 19.Nf3 Qb4 20.Ng5 Qe7 ½-½ Antonini,D-Munsh Munshi,A (1986) 44/181 Sibenik 1987 (1)]
13.Qh5→ White has strong attack.
13...Be7N 4.07/21

[13...Nxe5 White must now prevent ... g6!. 14.Bd4? -0.79/21 *(14.Nxe6!± 1.55/21 Bxe6 15.Qxe5)*



14...g6!∓ 15.Qh4 -1.63/19 *(15.Qe2!∓ -0.40/20 Qxg5 16.Bxe5)* 15...Be7? -0.01/21 *(15...Nxd3-+ -1.63/19 16.Bxh8 Bb5)* 16.f4!= Nxd3 17.Bxh8



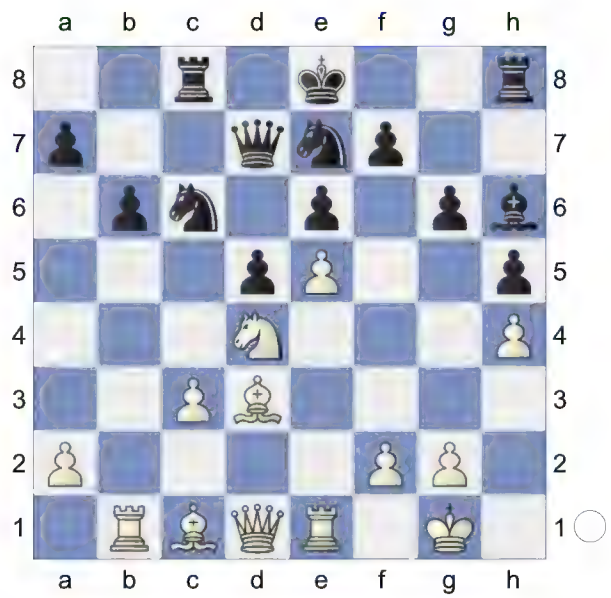
h6 0.93/23 *(17...h5!∓ -0.48/21 18.Qg3 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Bb5)* 18.Qxh6± and Nxf7! would now be decisive Qb6+ ½-½ (61) Moudallal,T (2027)-Zeidan,M (1938) Beirut Christmas op 20th 2018 (3)]

[13...Nxe5 14.Nxe6! *(14.Bxh7? Qf6-+)* 14...Bxe6 15.Qxe5±]
[13...d4± 1.50/21]

14.Nxh7+- Nf8 15.Nf6+! Discovered Attack **15...Bxf6?** 6.60/19
[15...gxf6 3.67/20 16.Qxh8 d4]
16.Qxh8 Bxe5 17.f4 3.86/19
[⌓17.Bc5 8.31/21 Bxh2+ 18.Kh1 *(18.Qxh2 Rc8+-)*]
17...Bd6 18.Qxg7 Qe7 19.Rac1 Bc6 20.f5 Qh4? 7.97/20
[20...f6 3.45/17 21.Qg4 e5]
21.g3 Qh3 22.fxe6 0-0-0 23.Bf5 12.25/25
[⌓23.Rxc6+ #15/20 bxc6 24.Rxf7 *(24.Qxf7 Nd7+-; 24.Bf5 Qxf1+ 25.Kxf1 fxe6+-)* 24...Qh7 25.Bxh7 Kb8 26.Rb7+ Deflection *(26.Rxa7 Nd7 27.Rxd7 Rxd7 28.Qxd7 c5 29.Qxd6+ Kb7 30.e7 d4 31.e8Q dxe3 32.Qeb8#; 26.Bxa7+ Ka8+-; 26.e7 Ne6 27.e8Q Bc7 28.Qxe6 Bd6)* 26...Kc8 27.Rxa7 *(27.Bxa7 Ng6 28.Bxg6 Be5 29.Qf7 c5 30.Rb3 Bc7)* 27...Nd7 28.Rxd7 *(28.exd7+ Kb8 29.Bb6 Bc7 30.Rxc7 d4 31.Qe5 Rxd7* Remove Defender *32.Rxd7+* Discovered Attack (Check) *Kc8 33.Qe8#)*]
23...Qxf5 White is clearly winning. **24.Rxf5 fxe6 25.Rf7 Nd7 26.Bg5 Be5 27.Qh7 Rh8 28.Rxd7** Qe7 would kill now. **28...Bd4+** Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening.
Weighted Error Value: White=1.35/ Black=2.19
29.Kg2
1-0

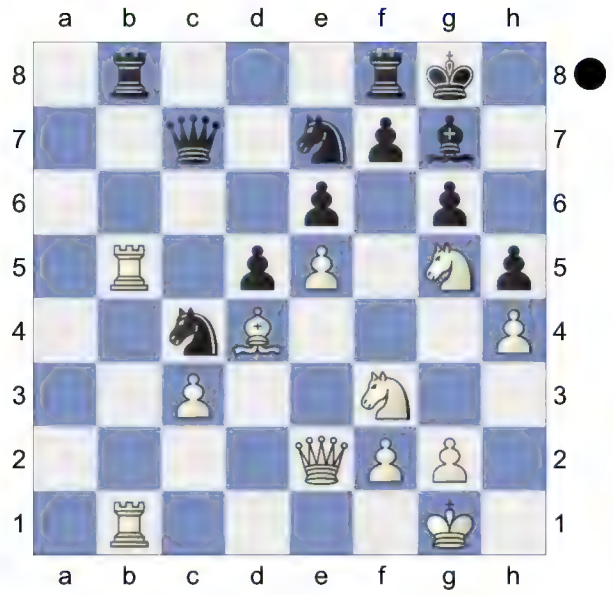
155 **C02**
□ **Ker,Anthony F** **2228**
■ **Mao,Daqi** **2015**
NZL-ch op 132nd (7) 08.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 is now more promising than 7.cxd4. im Vergleich zu 7.cxd4 vielversprechender. **7...Bd7! 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Rc8** 0.53/21
[8...Nh6= -0.01/21]
9.Nbd2!± White is slightly better.
9...Nge7 10.h4 h5N 0.93/24
[10...dxc3± 0.33/21 11.bxc3
A) 11...Na5 12.Rb1 Qc7 13.Nb3 *(13.c4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.Ne4 Nd5 16.Nd4 a6 17.Nf5 Qxe5 18.Ned6+ Bxd6 19.Rxe5 Bxe5 20.Rxb7 Bc6 21.Ra7 exf5 22.Ba3 c3 23.Qe2 f6 24.f4 Nxf4 25.Re7+ Kd8 26.Qxa6 c2 27.Rxg7 Re8* 1-0 (55) Eyesless18 (2875)-Erebuni91 (2739) Blitz 2024 *)* 13...Nec6 14.Nxa5 Nxa5 15.Ng5 h6 16.Qh5 Tactical Exercises-Jones,G;
B) 11...Ng6]
[10...Nf5 11.Nb3 *(11.c4 dxc4 12.Nxc4 Qc7 13.Bf4 Nfe7 14.Nd6+ Kd8 15.Nxf7+ Ke8 16.Nxh8 Nd5 17.Bg5 Be7 18.Bxh7 Qb6 19.Qd3 Kd8 20.Nf7+ Kc7 21.Nd6 Rf8 22.Rac1 Kb8 23.Bxe7 Ncxe7 24.Be4 Rh8 25.Qxd4 Qxd4* 1-0 (34) Kiolbasa,O (2394)-Boryna,S (1440) Warsaw Maciei Memorial blitz 2023 (1) *)* 11...dxc3 12.bxc3 Be7 13.h5 h6 14.Rb1 Qd8 15.Qe2 0-0 16.Bc2 b6 17.g3 Re8 18.g4 Nh4 19.Nxh4 Bxh4 20.Qd3 f5 21.Re2 Kh8 22.f4 Rf8 23.Rg2 Be7 24.Qg3 Rf7 25.Bd2 0-1 (91) RaspFish (2843)-mayhem23111 (2931) Blitz 2023]
11.Ng5N 0.38/23
[11.Rb1! g6 1.26/22 *(Black should try 11...Qc7± 0.58/22)* 12.Nb3± dxc3 13.bxc3 Qc7 14.Nc5 0.64/23 *(14.Nbd4!± 1.48/21* Black must now prevent Nb5. *Na5 15.Qe2)* 14...b6 1.26/23 *(14...Na5!± 0.64/23 15.Be3 Bc6)* 15.Nxd7± Qxd7 16.Nd4 0.11/21 *(16.Bb5± 1.25/22)* 16...Bh6? 2.63/26 *(16...Bg7=* 0.11/21 and Black stays safe. *)*



17.Bxh6!+- Rxh6 1-0 (36) Cnejev,V (2311)-Nastase,R (2226) ROM-ch Eforie Nord 2024 (6)]
[11.Nb3± 0.93/24]
11...g6± 12.a3 -0.27/23
[Better is 12.Ndf3± 0.40/23]
12...Bg7 13.Ndf3 dxc3 14.bxc3 Qc7 15.Qe2 Na5 16.Rb1 Against Nb3 **16...a6** Dodges a4 **17.a4** Black should prevent Ba3. **17...0-0** 1.00/23
[17...Qxc3= 0.01/23 18.Bd2 Qc7]
18.Be3? -0.73/25
[18.Ba3± 1.00/23 keeps the pressure

on. Bxa4 19.Nd4 *(19.Bd6 Qd7=)*]
18...b5
[18...Bxe5? 19.Bb6+-]
19.axb5 axb5 -0.01/23
[19...Bxb5∓ -0.62/26 20.Bxb5 axb5 21.Qxb5 Nc4]
20.Bxb5 -0.59/27
[20.Bd4= -0.01/23]
20...Bxb5∓
[20...Bxe5? 21.Bb6 Bxb5 *(21...Qxb6? 22.Bxd7+-)* 22.Qxb5+-]
21.Rxb5 Nc4 Repels Bb6
[21...Qxc3? 22.Bd2 Qc2 23.Bxa5+-]
22.Bd4 Rb8 23.Reb1 -1.48/28
[23.Rxb8∓ -0.53/24 Rxb8 24.Qc2 Decoy]



23...Nc6 -0.96/24
[⌓23...Rxb5! -1.48/28 24.Rxb5 Nc6]
24.g3 -1.42/23
[⌓24.Rxb8 -0.96/24 Rxb8 25.Rxb8+ Qxb8 26.g3]
24...N6xe5 -0.78/26
[Resist 24...N4xe5 25.Nxe5 Rxb5 *(25...Bxe5 26.Bb6∓; 25...Nxe5 26.Rxb8 Rxb8 27.Ra1=)* 26.Rxb5∓]
[⌓24...Rxb5 -1.42/23 25.Rxb5 Bxe5 *(25...N4xe5 26.Nxe5 Nxe5 27.Kg2∓)*]
25.Nxe5 -1.16/25
[⌓25.Rxb8 -0.78/26 Rxb8 26.Rxb8+ Qxb8 27.Nxe5 Nxe5 28.Kg2]
25...Bxe5∓
[Of course not 25...Nxe5?! 26.Rxb8 Rxb8 27.Ra1=]
This costs White the game. **26.f4?** -6.08/26
[26.Rxb8∓ -0.95/23 Rxb8 27.Rxb8+ Qxb8 28.Qd3]
26...Bxd4+-+ Black is clearly winning. **27.cxd4 Nd6 28.Rxb8 Rxb8 29.Rxb8+ Qxb8** Endgame KQN-KQN. Black is a pawn up. **30.Qe5 Qb1+ 31.Kh2 Qc2+ 32.Kh3 Qf5+ 33.Kg2 Nc4 34.Qe2** -6.91/24
[⌓34.Qb8+ -4.61/24 Kg7 35.Qc7]
34...Kf8 35.Kh2 Qb1 Prevents Qa2. And now ...Qc1 would win. **36.Kg2 Ke7 37.Nf3 Qc1 38.Kf2 Qc3 39.Kg2 Ne3+ 40.Kh3 Nf5 41.Qf2 Qe3 42.Qxe3 Nxe3** KN-KN. Black is a pawn up. **43.Ne5 Kf8 44.Nd7+ Kg7 45.Ne5 f6 46.Nf3 Kf7 47.Nh2 Ke7 48.g4 hxg4+ 49.Nxg4 Nxg4 50.Kxg4** KP-KP. Black is a pawn up. **50...Kd6 51.h5 gxh5+ 52.Kxh5 e5 53.dxe5+ fxe5 54.f5 Ke7 55.Kg6**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.90/ Black=0.39
55...Kf8
0-1

156 **C02**
□ **Mas,Jose Joaquin** **2197**
■ **Belov,Alexei** **2421**
Titled Tuesday intern op 11th Apr Late bl..
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6

5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0! is currently scoring better than 7.cxd4. wohl besser als 7.cxd4. **7...Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...Rc8** 0.49/23

[8...Nh6= 0.04/20 should be considered.]

9.a3 -0.12/24

[9.Nbd2!± 0.49/23]

9...Nge7 10.h4 h6 11.b4 a6! 12.c4

[12.Bb2 g5 13.Nh2 Bg7 14.Ng4 gxh4 15.cxd4 h5 16.Nf6+ Bxf6 17.exf6 Ng8 18.Qf3 Rh6 19.Qxd5 Nxf6 20.Qg5 Ng4 21.Nc3 Qd8 22.Qxd8+ Kxd8 23.Ne4 e5 24.f3 Nxd4 25.fxg4 hxg4 26.Ng5 1-0 4.d4 Nf6 5.Bc4 (2763)-Walther,F (2659) Cracow-Warsaw 1941]

12...dxc4 13.Nbd2! White stays focused until the end. **13...cxd3N** 2.49/19

[Predecessor: 13...Nxe5! 14.Nxe5 cxd3 15.Ne4 *(15.Ndc4 Qc7 16.Bf4 Nd5 17.Bg3 Bb5 18.Nb2 Nc3 19.Qf3 d2 20.Red1 Be2 21.Qh5 Bxh5* 0-1 Kiolbasa,O (2387)-Psyk,R (2460) Warsaw Szansa blitz op 2023 (13) *)* 15...Ng6 16.Nxg6 fxg6 17.Qxd3 Be7 18.Qg3 Kf7 Hoping for ...Rhd8. 19.Bf4! aiming for Bd6. Bc6 ½-½ (19) Ragger, M (2647)-Mchedlishvili,M (2584) Terme Catez 2022]

[13...Nxe5!= 0.01/23 14.Nxe5 cxd3]

14.Nc4!+- Qa7 3.91/19

[14...Qc7 2.24/24 15.Nd6+ Qxd6 *(15...Kd8 16.Nxf7+ Ke8 17.Nxh8±)* 16.exd6 Nd5 17.Qxd3 Bxd6 18.Nxd4 0-0]

15.Nd6+

[15.Qxd3? Nf5 16.h5 Be7-+]

15...Kd8

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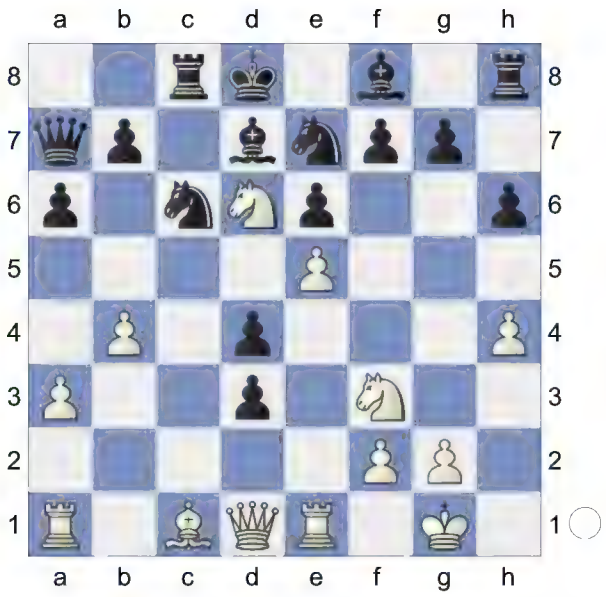


16.Nxf7+

[16.Nxc8? Kxc8 17.Qxd3 Qb6-+]

16...Kc7

[16...Ke8 17.Nxh8 g5 18.hxg5+- *(18.Qxd3 g4±)*]

17.Nxh8 Be8 18.Qxd3 Kb8 4.62/21

[⌓18...Qb6 3.10/22 19.Bb2 Qb5]

19.Bb2 Rd8 20.Re4 g6 4.88/22

[⌓20...g5 3.45/21 21.Bxd4 *(21.Nxd4 Bg7±)* 21...b6 22.hxg5 Bg7 23.gxh6 Bxh8]

21.Rf4

[Less strong is 21.Nxd4 Bg7±]

[21.Bxd4 b6±]

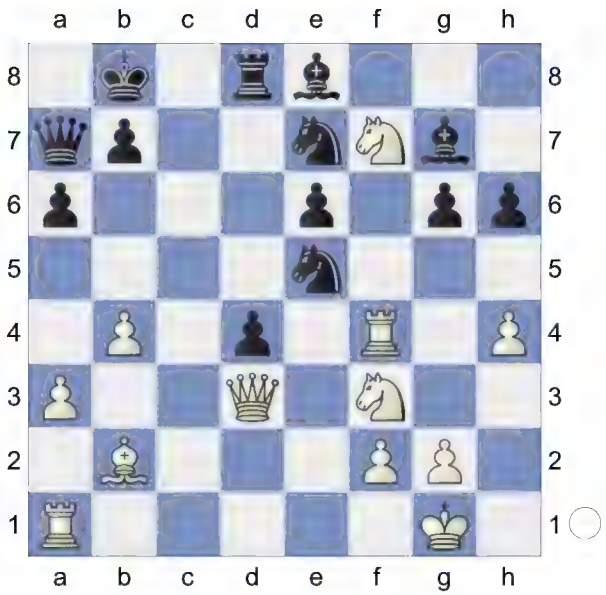
21...Bg7 22.Nf7

[22.Bxd4 Nxd4 *(22...Bxh8? 23.Bxa7+ Kxa7 24.Qxd8+-)* 23.Rxd4 Rxd4 24.Nxd4 Qb6∓ *(24...Bxh8 25.Nxe6 Qb6 26.Nc5=)*]

22...Nxe5? 8.67/20

[22...Rd5 3.85/18 23.Nd6 *(23.Bxd4 Nxd4 24.Rxd4 Bxf7∓; 23.Nxd4 Nf5±)* 23...Nxe5 24.Nxe5 *(24.Bxd4?* loses. *Rxd4 25.Nxe5 Rxd3-+)* 24...Bxe5]

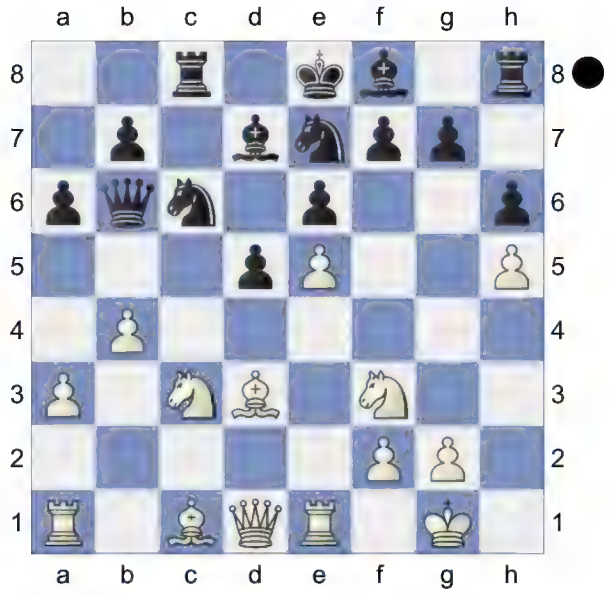
(Diagram)



23.N7xe5 Bxe5 24.Re4 Bg7 25.Rxe6 Nf5 26.g4 Bb5 27.Qe4 Nd6 28.Qxg6 Bf8 29.Bxd4 b6 30.Be5 Ka8 31.Rd1 Qb7 32.Rexd6 Bxd6 33.Rxd6 Rc8 34.Rxb6 Qd7 35.Rxa6+ Bxa6 36.Qxa6+ Qa7
Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=1.64
37.Qxc8+
1-0

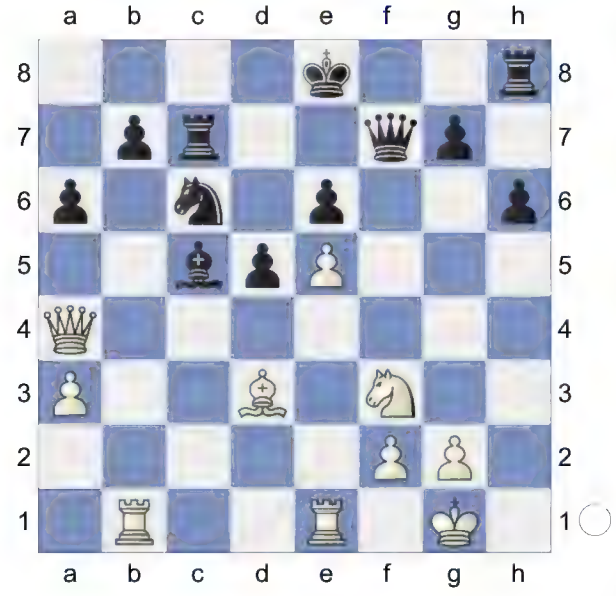
157 **C02**
□ **Dubreuil,Julien** **2104**
■ **Santos Flores,Alberto** **2230**
Titled Tue 21. Jan Late (3) 21.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0! outshines the older 7.cxd4.erfolgreicher als das alte 7.cxd4. **7...Bd7 8.Re1** White has compensation. **8...a6** 0.40/18
[8...Nh6= -0.01/17]
9.h4 -0.45/18
[White should play 9.Nbd2!± 0.40/18]
9...Nge7 0.32/18
[9...dxc3∓ -0.45/18 10.Nxc3 Bc5]
10.h5 h6 0.35/19
[10...g6= -0.01/18]
11.a3 -0.01/17
[11.Nbd2!± 0.35/19 feels stronger.]
11...Rc8!= 12.b4 dxc3 13.Nxc3



Nxb4! Discovered Attack **14.Na4 Bxa4 15.Qxa4+ Nbc6 16.Be3**
[16.Rb1 Qc7 17.Bd2 Qd7 18.Qf4 d4 19.Qg4 g6 20.hxg6 Nxg6 21.Bxg6 Rg8 22.Bxf7+ Qxf7 23.Qe4 Bxa3 24.Bxh6 Bb4 25.Rec1 Bc3 26.Bg5 b5 27.g3 b4 28.Kg2 a5 29.Rh1 a4 30.Rh7 Qf5 0-1 (45) Zhigalko,S (2838)-MatthewG-p4p (2735) Blitz 2023]
16...Qa5N
[16...Qc7 17.Bc5? -2.32/20 *(17.Rab1=* -0.01/22 and White has nothing to worry. *Qd7 18.Bc2 Nf5 19.Bb6 Be7 20.Qb3 Bd8 21.Bxf5 exf5 22.Bc5 Be7 23.Bxe7 Qxe7 24.Qxb7 Qxb7 25.Rxb7 0-0 26.Rb6 a5 27.Ra6 Rfd8 28.Nh4 Nd4 29.Rxa5 Ra8 30.Rxa8 Rxa8 31.Rd1 Ra4 32.g3* 1-0 (35) Borge,N (2388)-Hansen,L (2259) 60. TCh-DEN Ex 2022-23 (1.5)*; 17.Rac1 Qd7 18.Qf4*

d4 19.Bd2 Nd5 20.Qg3 Bxa3 21.Qxg7 Ke7 22.Bg6 Rcf8 23.Ra1 Bb2 24.Bxf7 Kd8 25.Rab1 Bc3 26.Bxh6 Qxf7 27.Ng5 Qxg7 28.Bxg7 Bxe1 29.Bxf8 Bxf2+ 30.Kh2 Rxh5+ 31.Nh3 b5 0-1 (53) Laezee (2881)-FrenchKingD0M (2837) Blitz 2022*)*
17...Qd7? -0.76/19 *(17...Qa5-+* -2.32/20 and Black stays clearly on top. *18.Qc2 Nxe5 19.Nxe5 Qxc5 20.Qa4+ Nc6)* 18.Qf4? -2.39/20 *(18.Qg4∓* -0.76/19 *)* 18...Ng6!-+ 19.hxg6 Bxc5 20.gxf7+ -2.52/19 *(20.Rac1* -1.77/19 is a better defense. *Ba7 21.gxf7+ Qxf7 22.Qg4)* 20...Qxf7-+ 21.Qg4 Ne7 -1.34/20 Dodges Bg6 *(21...Kd7-+* -2.47/19 *22.Rec1 Qe7)* 22.Rab1∓ Rc7 -0.04/20 *(22...b5∓* -1.50/21 Strongly threatening ...0-0!. *23.a4 Bb6)* 23.Qa4+= Nc6? 1.68/23 *(23...b5=* -0.25/21 *24.Bxb5+ axb5 25.Qxb5+ Rc6)*



24.Bxa6?? -5.16/20 *(24.Rec1!+-* 1.68/23 and life is good for White.*)* 24...0-0!-+ 25.Bxb7 -8.73/19 *(⌓25.Bd3* -4.37/19 *Nd4 26.Re3)* 25...Nd4 0-1 Diaz Rosas,J (2351)-Grischuk,A (2742) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th May Late blitz 2022 (1)]

17.Qg4 -0.70/22
[17.Qb3= 0.06/22 Qc7 18.Bb6]
17...Qc7 0.01/23
[Black should play 17...Qc3∓ -0.70/22 18.Red1 Nxe5 19.Nxe5 Qxe5]
18.Qg3 -0.78/20
[18.Rab1= 0.01/23 remains equal.]
18...Nf5? 3.63/21
[18...g5∓ -0.78/20 keeps the pressure on.]
19.Bxf5+- exf5 20.Rad1 1.87/16
[⌓20.Rab1 3.38/18]
20...Rd8? 4.94/19
[20...Qd7 1.87/16]
21.Nd4? 1.65/20
[21.Rb1 4.94/19 Qe7 22.Red1]
21...Nxd4? 5.51/21
[21...f4 1.65/20 22.Qxf4 *(22.Bxf4 Nxd4 23.Rxd4 Qb6±)* 22...Nxd4 23.Qxd4 *(23.Rxd4 Bxa3 24.Qg3 Kf8±)* 23...Qc4]
22.Bxd4
[Less strong is 22.Rxd4 Qe7±]
22...Rg8 10.87/19
[⌓22...Rc8 4.93/22 23.Be3 Qd7]
23.Rc1 Qb8 24.Bb6 Rc8 25.e6 exf7+ would kill now. **25...Bd6 26.Rxc8+** 13.15/5
[⌓26.exf7+ #10/22 Kd7 27.fxg8Q Rxg8 28.Qg6 Bh2+ 29.Kh1 Be5 30.Rxe5 *(30.Qxf5+ Ke7 31.Rc7+ Qxc7 32.Bxc7 Rh8 33.Rxe5#; 30.Qf7+ Kd6 31.Bc7+* Skewer *Qxc7 32.Rxc7 Rh8 33.Qe7#)* 30...Qxe5 31.Qf7+ Skewer, Double Attack Qe7 32.Rc7+ Kd8 33.Qxe7#]
26...Qxc8 27.exf7+ Kxf7 28.Qxd6 Re8 29.Qg6+ Kf8

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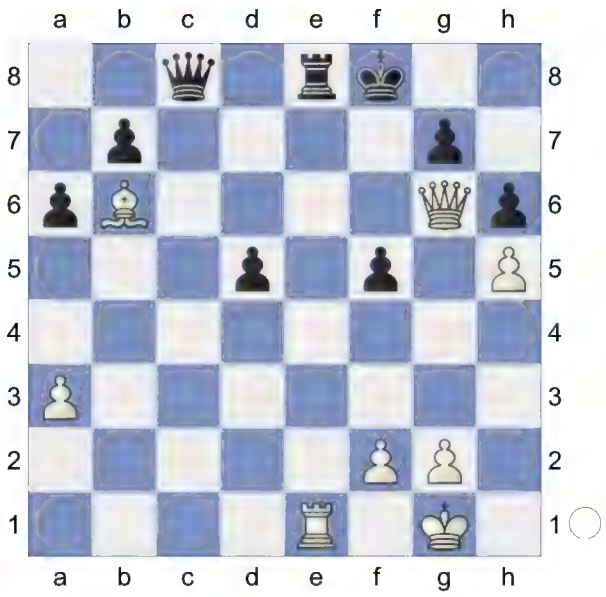
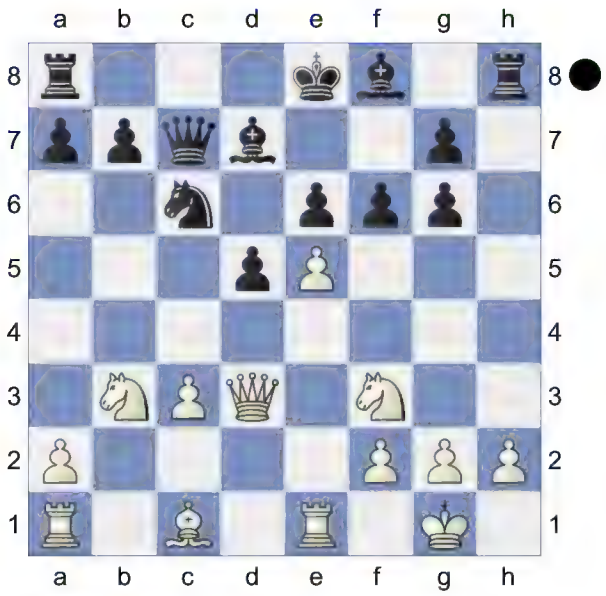


30.Bc5+! Deflection, Back Rank
30...Qxc5
[30...Kg8 31.Rxe8+]
Weighted Error Value: White=1.05/ Black=1.33
31.Rxe8#
1-0

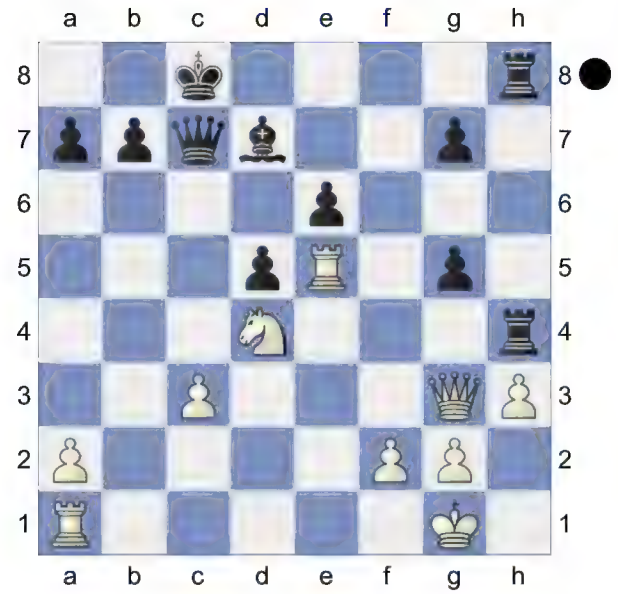
158 **C02**
□ **Payne,Matthew** **2104**
■ **Dong,Bao Nghia** **2361**
Cambridge op (5) 17.02.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0! is more profitable than 7.cxd4 at the moment. scheint profitabler als 7.cxd4. **7...Bd7! 8.Re1 Nge7 9.Nbd2** White has an edge. **9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Ng6 11.Nb3 Qc7 12.Qe2 f6N** 0.79/22
[12...Be7= 0.07/20 keeps the balance. 13.Nbd4 0-0 14.Rb1 f5 15.exf6 Rxf6 16.Bxg6 Rxg6 17.Nxc6 Bxc6 18.Ne5 Rf6 19.Bg5 Rff8 20.Nxc6 Bxg5 21.Qxe6+ Kh8 22.Ne5 Rad8 23.Re2 Bf6 24.Rbe1 Bxe5 25.Qxe5 Qxe5 26.Rxe5 Kg8 27.g3 d4 ½-½ (35) Booktester (2968)-RaspFish (2991) Blitz 2024]
13.Bxg6+ -0.45/22
[13.exf6± 0.79/22 gxf6 14.Nbd4]
13...hxg6∓ 14.Qd3N -0.79/20
[Vorgänger: 14.Bf4! g5 0.11/20 *(14...Rc8∓ -0.44/19)* 15.Bg3= Black must now prevent exf6. Qd8 0.49/21 *(15...f5!= -0.15/21 16.Nxg5 Be7)* 16.exf6!± gxf6 17.Nfd4 -0.01/21 *(17.Rad1!± 0.52/22)* 17...Nxd4!= 18.Nxd4 Qc8 19.Nxe6 Bxe6 20.Qxe6+ Qxe6 21.Rxe6+ 1-0 (30) Lach,A (2198)-Zatonskih,A (2403) Warsaw 2021]
[14.Bf4!= -0.11/21]



14...0-0-0 -0.23/17
[14...fxe5?! 15.Qxg6+ Kd8 16.Qg5+ Kc8 17.Nxe5=]
[14...Nxe5?! 15.Nxe5 fxe5 16.Qxg6+ Kd8 17.Bd2=]
[14...Kf7!∓ -0.79/20 15.Bf4 g5]
15.Bf4= g5? 1.57/21
[15...fxe5∓ -0.45/21 keeps the upper hand. 16.Bxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Bd6]

16.Bg3± Nxe5 1.92/21
[Black should try 16...Qb6± 0.58/18]
17.Nxe5+- fxe5 18.Bxe5 0.34/20
[18.Rxe5+- 1.82/20 Bd6 19.Rxg5]
18...Bd6± 19.Qg3↑ White has some pressure. **19...Bxe5 20.Rxe5 Rh4!** and ...Rdh8 would now be decisive
21.Nd4 -0.01/21
[21.Rxg5± 0.84/23 Qxg3 22.Rxg3]
21...Rdh8 0.48/24
[21...g4= -0.01/21 is more appropriate.]
22.h3 -0.27/19
[22.Nf3!± 0.48/24 Qxc3 23.Ree1]



22...g4!= 23.Nxe6 Qb6 5.08/21
[23...Bxe6∓ -0.43/21 24.Rxe6 Qxg3 *(24...gxh3 25.Qxc7+ Kxc7 26.Re7+ Kb8 27.Rxg7=)* 25.fxg3 R4h5]
24.Nf4+- White is clearly winning.
[Weaker is 24.Nxg7 gxh3 25.Nf5 Bxf5 26.Rxf5 hxg2∓]
24...Qb2 10.25/18
[⌓24...gxh3 4.75/20 25.Nxd5 Rg4]
25.Rae1 gxh3 26.Nxd5 Rc4 27.R5e2 9.01/17
[⌓27.R5e4 31.66/25 Qb5 28.Ne7+ *(28.Qxg7 Rd8+-)* 28...Kd8 29.Qb8+ Skewer, Double Attack *(29.Qxg7 Rxe4 30.Qxh8+ Kc7=)* 29...Rc8 30.Nxc8 h2+ 31.Kh1 Bxc8 32.Rd1+ *(32.Qxa7 Kc7+-)* 32...Qd7 33.Rxd7+ Kxd7 34.Qe5 *(34.Qxa7 Rh5+-)*]
27...Qxe2 28.Rxe2 Ne7+ would kill now.
28...b6
Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/ Black=1.51
29.Qd6
1-0

159 **C02**
□ **Boer,A.** **2091**
■ **Maatman,Nick** **2348**
58. Groningen Open 2022 (1.8) 21.12.22
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Nbd2 Nge7 9.Re1** The position is equal. **9...Ng6 10.g3**
[10.Nb3 dxc3 11.bxc3 Be7 12.Rb1 a6 13.Qe2 0-0 14.h4 Rfc8 15.h5 Nf8 16.Nh2 f6 17.Be3 Qc7 18.exf6 Bxf6 19.Nc5 Nd8 20.h6 Be8 21.Ng4 Bxc3 22.Rec1 d4 23.hxg7 Qxg7 24.Bh6 Qf7 Mrudul,D (2059)-Sherali, P (1478) Jamshedpur 2023 1-0]
10...dxc3 11.bxc3 Qc7 12.Qe2 Na5N
[12...Be7 13.h4 *(13.Nb3 a6 14.Nbd4 Na5 15.h4 h6 16.Bxg6 fxg6 17.Qc2 Kf7 18.Ne2 Rac8 19.Nf4 Qxc3 20.Qxg6+ Kg8 21.Bd2 Qa3 22.Nd4 Nc4 23.Nh5 Rh7 24.Bxh6 Rf8 25.Bxg7 Be8 26.Qxe6+* 1-0 (26) Paichadze,L (2527)-Omidi,A (2321) Bikaner 2022) 13...f6 14.Bxg6+ hxg6 15.c4 Nxe5 16.Nxe5 Qxe5 17.Qxe5 fxe5 18.cxd5 exd5 19.Rxe5 Kf7 20.Rb1 Bc6 21.Nf3

Rhe8 22.Be3 a6 23.Ng5+ Kg8 24.Rd1 Bf6 25.Rxe8+ Rxe8 26.Nf3 Bd7 27.Kg2 Adarsh,T (2361)-Fitzsimons,D (2368) Budapest 2022 ½-½ (56)]

13.Bb2 Rc8 14.h4 Bc5 15.h5 Ne7 16.Nd4 0-0 -0.13/19

[16...h6∓ -0.45/19]

17.Rac1 -0.53/18

[17.h6!= -0.13/19]

17...f5 18.f4 b5 19.Kh2 Nc4 20.N2b3 Bb6 21.Ba1 a5 22.Nf3 Nc6 23.Nbd4 Nxd4 24.cxd4 Be8 25.Ng5 -1.74/19

[25.h6∓ -1.36/18]

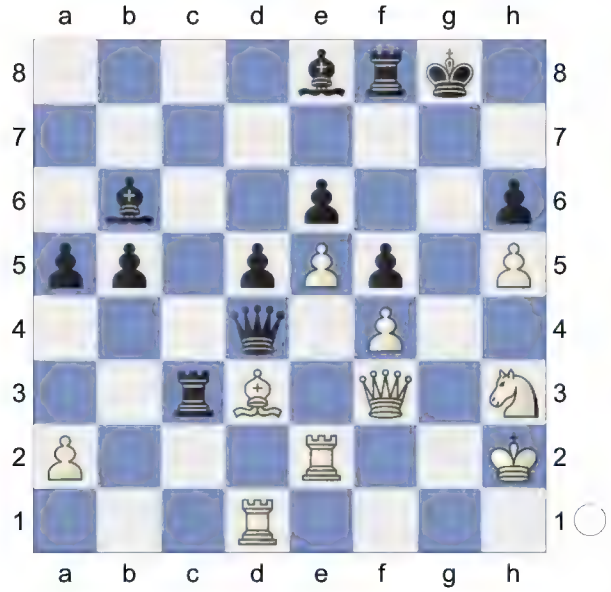
25...Qe7-+ 26.Qf3? -3.30/19

[26.Rg1 -1.62/18]

26...h6 27.Nh3 Qa3 28.Rcd1 Prevents Nd2. **28...Nb2 29.Bxb2 Qxb2+ 30.Re2 Qb4 31.g4 Rc3**

[Stronger than 31...Bxd4 32.gxf5 exf5 33.Bxf5 Rxf5 34.Qxd5+ Bf7 35.Qxd4∓]

32.g5 Qxd4 33.gxh6 gxh6



Threatens to win with ...Kh8. The board is on fire. **34.Rg2+ Kh8 35.Qg3 Rc7** Inhibits Qg7+. **36.Bxb5?** -4.75/24

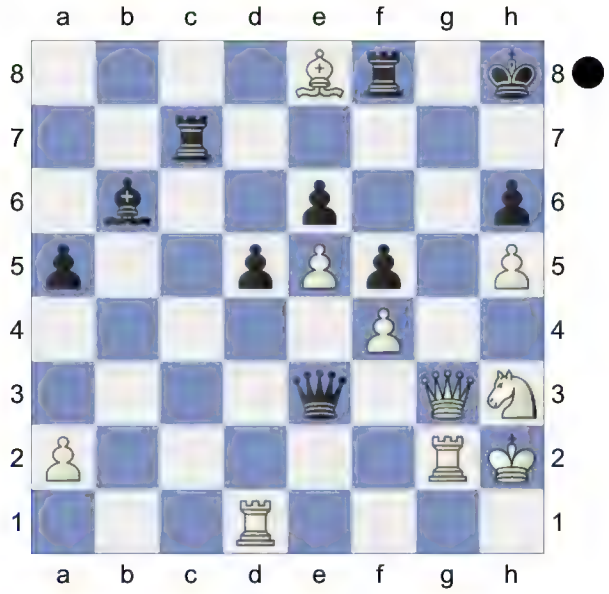
[36.Rc1 -1.96/20 Bc5 37.Be2]

36...Qe3? -1.17/25

[Resist 36...Bxb5 37.Rxd4 Bxd4 38.Qg6+-]

[36...Qxd1-+ -4.75/24 has better winning chances. 37.Bxe8 Qg4]

37.Bxe8∓



Qg6 is the strong threat. **37...Qxg3+**

[37...Rxe8 leads to mate. 38.Qg6]

38.Rxg3 Strongly threatening Ba4. **38...Rxe8 39.Rg6** -1.44/21

[⌓39.Rb1 -0.94/22 Rc2+ 40.Rg2]

39...Kh7 -1.13/23

[⌓39...Rc2+ -1.44/21 40.Kh1 Kh7]

40.Rb1 Rc6 -0.96/20

[⌓40...Bc5 -1.27/20 41.Rc1 Ree7]

41.Ng5+? -5.62/22 Loses the game. **41...hxg5-+** Black is clearly winning. **42.fxg5 Re7 43.Rh6+ Kg8** And now ... Rg7 would win. **44.Rf6 Bc7 45.Re1 Rc4 46.Kh3 Rg4 47.Rg6+ Rg7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.49/ Black=0.23 (precise)

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160 **C02**
□ **Thipsay,Bagyashree Sathe** **2075**
■ **Sanchez,Sebastian Felipe** **2422**
Titled Tue 7. Jan Early (9) 07.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0! is more profitable than 7.cxd4 at the moment. scheint profitabler als 7.cxd4.
7...Bd7! 8.Qe2
[8.Re1 Nh6 9.Bxh6 *(9.Ng5 Be7 10.h4 Nf5 11.Bxf5 exf5 12.e6 fxe6 13.Nxe6 Bxe6 14.Rxe6 0-0 15.h5 Bh4 16.Qe2 Kf7 17.g3 Bf6 18.c4 d3 19.Rxf6+ Kxf6 20.Qxd3 Qd4 21.Qf3 Qe4 22.Qd1 Rfe8 23.Be3 d4* 0-1 (44) Bodnaruk,A (2333)-Zhurova,A (2279) RUS Cup tt (Women) 2024 (4.1)*)* 9...gxh6 10.Nbd2 Qxb2 11.Rb1 Qxc3 12.Rb3 Qa5 13.Rxb7 Rb8 14.Rxb8+ Nxb8 15.Nxd4 Bb4 16.Re2 Bc3 17.N2b3 Qb6 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Qc1 d4 20.Qxh6 Nb4 21.Ng5 Nxd3 22.Nxf7 Kxf7 ½-½ (27) Motylev,A (2597)-L'Ami,E (2645) Prague Challengers 5th 2023 (1)]
8...Rc8 9.Nbd2 White has an edge.
9...dxc3 10.bxc3 Nh6N 0.66/18
[10...Na5! 11.c4 *(11.Rb1 Qc7 12.c4 dxc4 13.Bc2 Ne7 14.Ba3 Ng6 15.Bxf8 Kxf8 16.h4 Nf4 17.Qe3 Nd5 18.Qxa7 b5 19.Qd4 Nc6 20.Qc5+ Nce7 21.Qd4 Kg8 22.Rfe1 Nc6 23.Qg4 Ncb4 24.Rbc1 Nxa2 25.Ne4 h5* 0-1 (47) Havulinna,M (1669)-Wiegner,D (2041) 56/180 Debrecen 1992 (1.112) *26.Qg5 Nxc1 27.Rxc1 Kf8 28.Nd6 Rb8 29.Nxf7 Kxf7 30.Qg6+ Kg8 31.Ng5 Be8 32.Qxe6+ Bf7 33.Qf5 Nb4 34.e6 Be8 35.Re1 Qe7 36.Be4 Rh6 37.Qe5 Rb6 38.Bf5 Nd3 39.Qe3 Qc5 40.Qe4 Qxf2+* 0-1 (47) Gulbas,I (1669)-Sipahioglu,I (2041) TUR-chT 2nd League 2023 (1.112)*)* 11...dxc4 12.Nxc4 Nxc4 13.Bxc4 Bc6 1.39/18 *(13...Qc7=* 0.07/20 remains equal. *14.Bd3 Ne7)* 14.Be3± Bc5? 2.62/23 *(14...Qa5±* 0.97/19 *)* 15.Rab1+- Qa5? 3.99/22 *(15...Bxe3* 2.07/23 *16.Rxb6 Bxb6)* 16.Bxc5? -0.22/19 *(16.Rb5!+-* 3.99/22 *Bxb5 17.Bxb5+ Kf8 18.Rc1)* 16...Qxc5 1-0 (42) Shaw,C (1766)-Ng Mora,J (1948) American Continental 18th 2024 (4)]
[10...Na5= 0.12/19]
11.Rb1± White has compensation.
11...Qc7 12.Nb3 Nf5 13.g4 0.06/19
[13.Bf4± 0.62/17]
13...Nfe7= 14.Nbd4 -0.22/19
[14.Nc5 0.20/19 Na5 15.Nxd7 Qxd7 16.Kh1]
14...a6 15.h3 -0.54/18
[15.Re1= -0.07/19]
15...Ng6 0.01/18
[15...Na5∓ -0.54/18]
16.Re1 Be7 Repels h4 **17.Bd2** -0.15/19
[⌓17.g5 0.26/18]
17...0-0 0.37/21
[17...h6= -0.15/19]
18.Kg2 -0.79/19
[18.h4!± 0.37/21 keeps the upper hand.]

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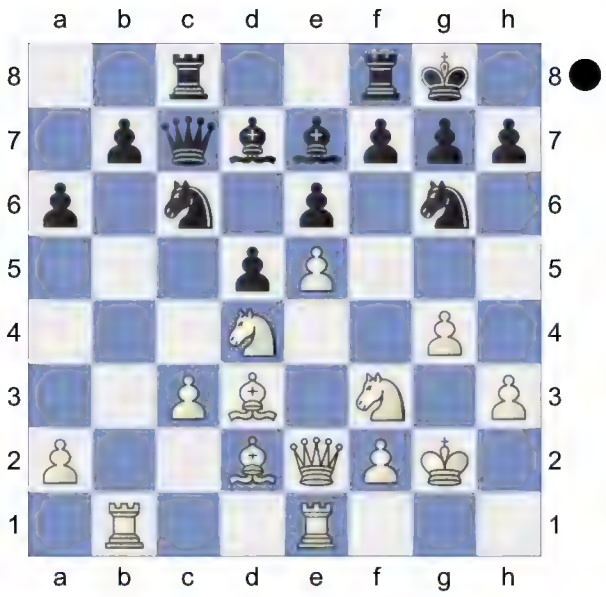
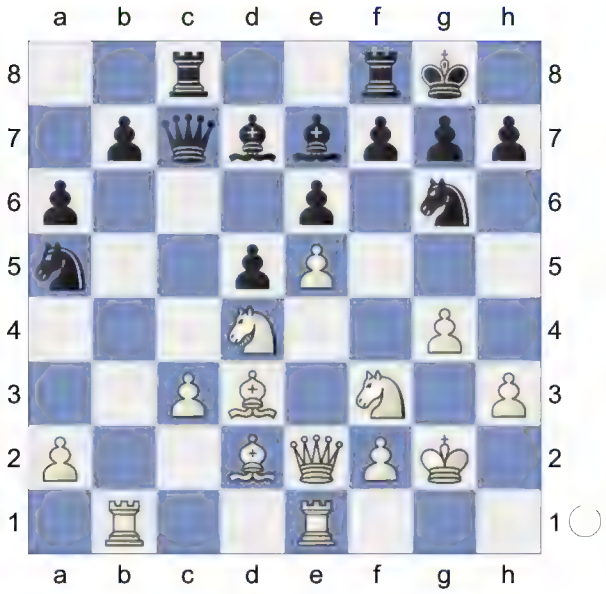
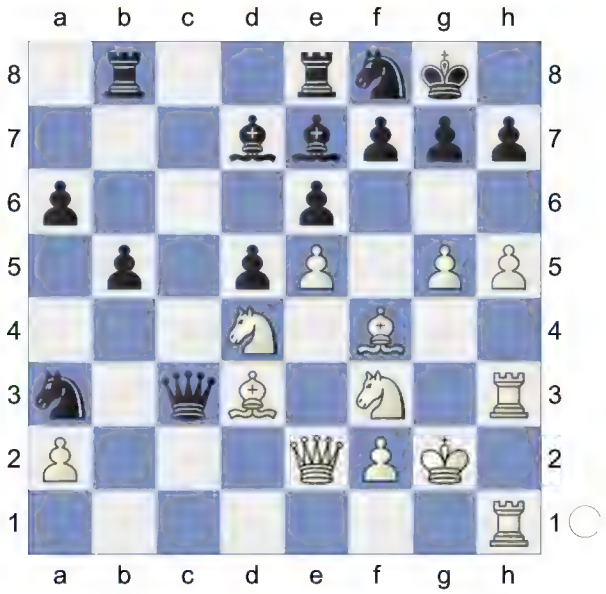


18...Na5? 0.97/21
[18...Bc5!∓ -0.79/19 stays on course.]



19.h4!± Rfe8 0.93/21
[19...Nxh4+?! 20.Nxh4 Bxh4 21.Rh1±]
[19...Rfd8± 0.52/20 is superior.]
20.h5 Nf8 21.g5 White is much more active. The black rooks are passive.
21...Nc4 22.Bf4 b5 1.80/19
[Black should try 22...Na3± 0.59/18]
23.Rh1+- and g6! should not be overlooked **23...Rb8?** 3.20/18
[23...Bc5± 1.10/18]
24.Rh3 1.51/18
[24.g6+- 3.20/18 has better winning chances.]
24...Na3? 7.11/20
[24...b4± 1.51/18]
25.Rbh1 Qxc3? 8.18/19
[25...b4 3.80/17 26.cxb4 *(26.Bxa6 bxc3 27.Bd3 Rb2∓)* 26...Rxb4]



26.g6! h6
[26...f5 27.exf6]
27.gxf7+ Kxf7 28.Ng5+ hxg5

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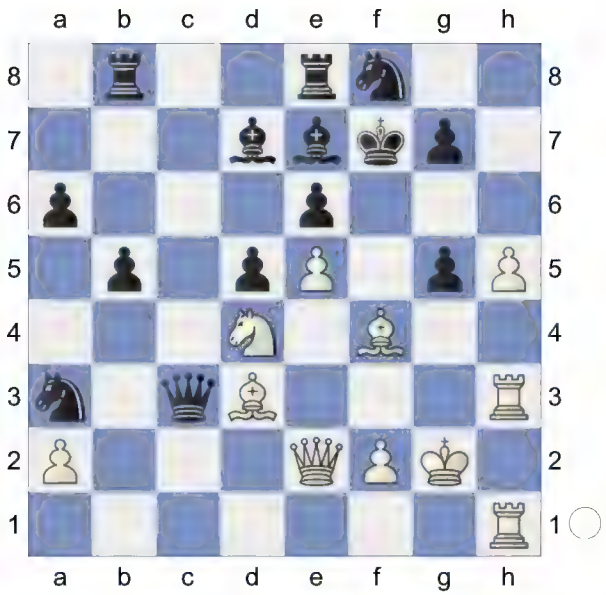

29.Bg6+! Skewer, Decoy **29...Nxg6**
[29...Kg8 30.Rxc3]
30.hxg6+ Kxg6
Weighted Error Value: White=0.55/ Black=1.12
31.Qh5#
1-0

161 **C02**
□ **Advik,Amit Agrawal** **2064**
■ **Ayaan,Phutane** **1765**
IND-ch U09 37th (10) 01.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 is recently more successful than 7.cxd4. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 7.cxd4.
7...Bd7 8.Re1 White has compensation.
8...Nge7 9.h4! White has an edge.
9...h6 10.Nbd2 g6N 0.96/20
[10...dxc3= 0.02/18 11.bxc3 Nc8 *(11...Na5 12.Ba3 Rc8 13.Rc1 Nc4 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.Ne4 Nf5 16.Bxf8 Rxf8 17.g4* Theory 4C: 5... Qb6-Advance French 5...Qb6 #2 *)*]
[10...Qc7 11.Nb3 dxc3 12.bxc3 Nc8 13.a4 Nb6 14.Bf4 Be7 15.Qe2 Rc8 16.h5 Nc4 17.Nfd4 Qd8 18.Qg4 Bg5 19.Nb5 a6 20.Bxc4 axb5 21.Bxb5 Bxf4 22.Qxf4 Qg5 23.g3 0-0 24.Qxg5 hxg5 25.Nc5 ½-½ (35) KQRBNPkqrbnp (2951)-ToromBot (2976) Rapid 2024]
[10...0-0-0 11.Nb3 f5 12.cxd4 g5 13.hxg5 Ng6 14.a4 hxg5 15.a5 Qc7 16.Bxg5 Bb4 17.Re2 Rdg8 18.Rc2 Be8 19.g3 Qh7 20.Kf1 Qh3+ 21.Ke2 f4 22.a6 fxg3 23.axb7+ Kb8 24.Nc5 Nxd4+ 25.Nxd4 0-1 (60) Laan,D (2101)-Kviriashvili,A (1795) EU-ch U12 31st 2023 (4)]
11.Nb3± dxc3 12.bxc3 Bg7N 1.34/19
[12...Na5 1.31/17 12...Qc7 0.66 13.Ba3 0.43/19 *(13.Rb1!± 1.31/17)* 13...Rc8 1.21/18 *(13...Nc4± 0.43/19 14.Bxc4 dxc4)* 14.Nxa5 0.65/16 *(14.Rb1!± 1.21/18)* 14...Qxa5± 15.Bb4 Qc7 1.20/18 *(* Better is *15...Qd8!± 0.43/17)* 16.Rc1 0.06/17 *(16.Bd6!± 1.20/18 Qxc3 17.Qb1)* 16...Nc6= 17.Bxf8 Kxf8 18.h5 g5 ½-½ (26) Rey Malde,H (2274)-Santagati,A (2279) Benidorm op-A 2021 (7)]
[12...Nf5± 0.57/20]
13.Rb1± Qc7 14.Qe2 Nc8 1.68/18
[14...0-0± 1.09/17]
15.Nbd4 1.25/19
[15.h5+- 1.68/18]
15...a6 1.65/19
[15...Nxd4± 1.25/19 16.cxd4 Nb6]
16.Ba3 1.26/18
[16.h5+- 1.65/19]
16...Bf8 17.Bxf8 Kxf8 2.32/18
[17...Rxf8± 1.20/18 18.Qe3 Rh8]
18.Qe3 1.04/19
[18.h5+- 2.32/18 has better winning chances.]

18...N8e7 1.71/18
[18...Nxd4± 1.04/19 19.Qxd4 *(19.cxd4 Bb5±)* 19...Be8]
19.Qf4 0.89/17
[19.h5+- 1.71/18]
19...f5 20.g4 0.62/16
[20.c4± 1.06/17]
20...Kg7!± 21.h5 0.41/19
[21.Nxc6!± 0.93/17 bxc6 22.h5]
21...Raf8
[21...g5? 22.Nxg5 Nxd4 *(22...hxg5? 23.Qxg5+ Kf8 24.Qf6+ Kg8 25.Nxe6+-)* 23.cxd4+-]
22.gxf5 -0.31/19
[White should play 22.Nxc6± 0.60/19 Bxc6 23.gxf5 *(23.Nd4 Bd7±)* 23...gxf5 24.Kf1]
22...gxf5 23.Kh1 -0.51/20
[23.Kh2= -0.03/20]
23...Kh7 0.68/22
[23...Rhg8!∓ -0.51/20]
24.Rg1 -0.48/22
[24.Nh2!± 0.68/22]
24...Rhg8∓ 25.Qh4 b5 -0.07/21
[25...Rf7∓ -0.51/24]
26.Rbe1 -0.47/20
[26.Be2= -0.07/21]
26...Qc8! 27.Nh2 -0.67/20
[27.Rg3= -0.17/19]
27...Rxg1+ -0.21/19
[27...Qe8∓ -0.67/20]
28.Rxg1= Qe8 0.01/21
[28...Rf7∓ -0.40/23 should be considered. 29.Qf4 Qd8]
29.f4 -0.99/21
[29.Bc2= 0.01/21 remains equal.]

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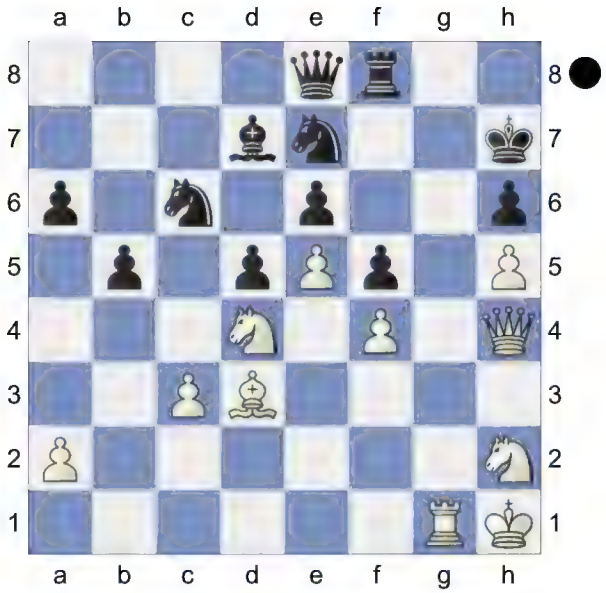
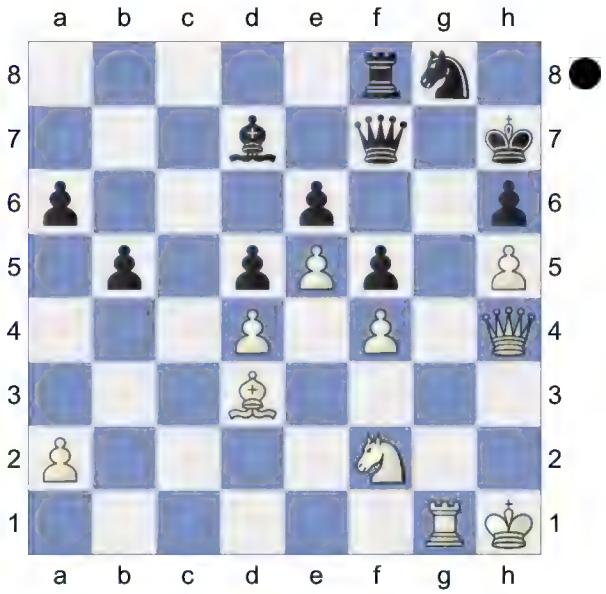


29...Qf7 -0.23/22
[29...Nxd4!∓ -0.99/21 30.cxd4 Rf7]
30.Ng4 -0.99/22
[30.Nhf3!= -0.23/22]
30...Ng8∓ 31.Nf2 -1.43/23
[31.Nb3!∓ -0.45/22]
31...Nxd4 -0.85/19
[⌓31...Rc8 -1.43/23 32.Nb3 b4 33.Bxa6 Rc7 34.cxb4 Nxb4]
32.cxd4

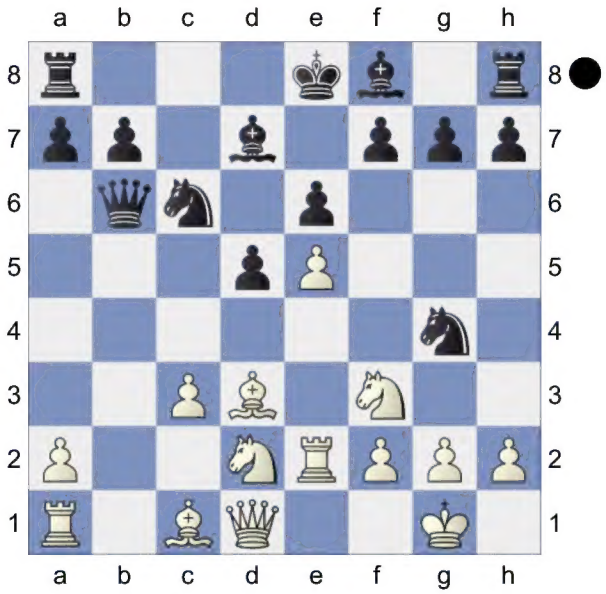


Rc8! Prevents Rc1 **33.Ng4?** -3.23/25
[33.Bb1∓ -0.97/23 is a better defense.]

33...Kh8-+ 34.Nf6 Nxf6 35.exf6 -3.63/22
[⌓35.Qxf6+ -2.40/23 Qxf6 36.exf6]
35...Rg8 36.Rxg8+ Kxg8 Endgame KQB-KQB. Black is a pawn up. **37.Kh2 Kf8 38.Be2 Qg8?** -0.59/22
[38...Ke8-+ -4.06/21 and ...Qg8 would now be decisive 39.Bf3 a5]
39.Qe1? -4.74/24
[39.Qh3!∓ -0.59/22 Kf7 40.Qa3]
39...Kf7 40.Qb4 Qf8 Repels Qe7+
41.Qa5
[But not 41.Qxf8+ Kxf8 42.Kg3 a5-+ *(42...Kf7? 43.Kf2-+)*]
41...Qc8
[Not 41...Kxf6 42.Qxa6 Qb4 43.Qa8∓]
42.Kg3 Kxf6 43.Qa3 Kf7 44.Bf3? -5.46/21
[44.Kf2 -3.35/21]
44...Qc6 Black is clearly winning.
45.Qa5 Ke8 46.Qa3 Qb6 47.Qe3 Qd6 48.Be2 b4 49.Bd3 Kd8 50.Kf2 a5 51.Qg3 Kc7 52.Ke3 Qf8 Inhibits Qg7.
53.Bc2 Be8 54.Bd1 Qf7 55.Qg2 -7.83/21
[⌓55.Kd2 -5.08/20 Kb7 56.Kc1]
55...Kb6 56.Kd2 Qc7 57.Qg3 Dodges Qc3+ **57...a4 58.Qe3 Ka5 59.a3 Bb5 60.Bc2** Black used his chance.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.67/ Black=0.45
60...bxa3
0-1

162 **C02**
□ **Skrzyczek,Tomasz** **1909**
■ **Sieciechowicz,Marcin** **2383**
Adolf Anderssen Mem 2022 (4.9) 30.7.22
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation **1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6 9.Nbd2** -0.56/19
[9.h3= 0.05/17]
9...dxc3∓ 10.bxc3 Ng4! 11.Re2



Bc5 0.27/19 &Nero is more active.
[11...Qc7!∓ -0.73/19 12.Bb5 Ncxe5 13.Bxd7+ Nxd7]
12.Qe1= 0-0N
[12...Nxf2 13.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 14.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 15.Kxf2 f6 16.exf6 gxf6 17.Ba3 e5 18.c4 d4 19.Ne4 Kf7 20.Nh4 b6 21.Rf1 Kg7 22.Ke1 Rhf8 23.Bxf8+ Rxf8 24.Nd6 Ne7 25.Nhf5+ Nxf5 26.Nxf5+ Bxf5 27.Bxf5 Borger,D (1829)-Abraham,M Hebraica 2022 1-0 (54)]
13.Rb1 Bxf2+ 0.53/22
[13...Qd8= 0.14/19]
14.Rxf2± Qxf2+ 15.Qxf2 Nxf2 16.Kxf2 b6 17.Ba3 White has compensation.

17...Rfe8 18.Bd6 Na5 19.Ba6 Prevents Nb7. **19...Bc6** 1.13/21
[Black should try 19...Red8 0.79/22]
20.Nd4 Bb7 21.Bb5 A strong pair of Bishops. **21...Rec8 22.Ne2 d4** 1.25/22
[22...Bc6± 0.41/20]
23.c4
[23.Nxd4?! Rxc3 24.h3 Rac8=]
23...d3 24.Nf4 Bc6 1.51/21
[Black should play 24...Rd8 1.09/22]
25.Ba6 1.16/21
[25.Nxd3?! Bxb5 26.cxb5 Rc2=]
[⌓25.c5 1.51/21]
25...Bb7± 26.Bb5 0.01/21
[26.Bxb7± 1.17/25 Nxb7 27.Nxd3]
26...a6 0.60/21
[26...Bc6!= 0.01/21]
27.Bd7 1.24/21
[27.Ba4± 0.60/21]
27...Rd8 28.Ba4 Rac8 29.Be7? -0.89/24
[Of course not 29.Nxd3?! Nxc4 30.Nxc4 Rxc4=]
[29.Rb4± 1.29/21]
29...Nxc4∓
[Don't play 29...Rd4 30.Ke3 Rxf4 31.Kxf4 Nxc4 32.Nf3± *(32.Bd7 Nxd2 33.Bxc8 Nxb1∓)*]
30.Bxd8 Nxd2 31.Rxb6 Ne4+ 32.Ke3 Rxd8 33.Rxb7 Nc5 34.Rc7 Nxa4 35.Nxd3 Endgame KRN-KRN **35...Nb6**

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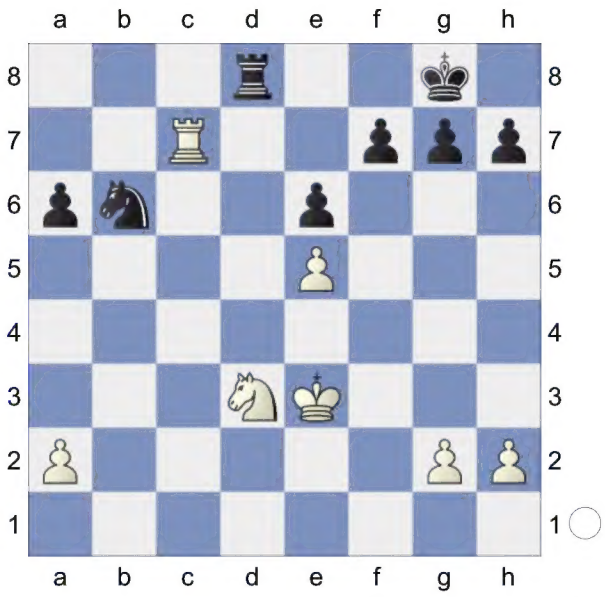
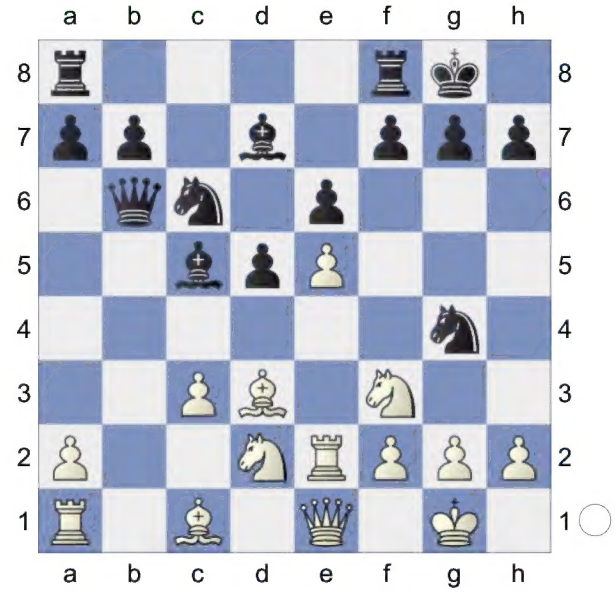


aiming for ...Nd5+. **36.Ra7 Nd5+ 37.Kf2 Nc3 38.Rxa6 g5 39.Ke3 Kg7** -0.35/20
[39...Nd5+∓ -0.77/22 40.Ke2 Kg7]
40.a4!∓ Nd5+ 41.Ke2 -0.98/22
Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.14 (very precise)
[Better is 41.Kd2!∓ -0.38/23]
0-1

163 **C02**
□ **Borger,David Lupovici** **1829**
■ **Abraham,Marcio** **0**
Hebraica op 29th (4) 20.11.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C02: French: Advance Variation
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0! is now more promising than 7.cxd4. im Vergleich zu 7.cxd4 vielversprechender. **7...Bd7 8.Re1 Nh6! 9.Nbd2** -0.56/23
[9.h3= 0.21/19]
9...dxc3!∓ 10.bxc3 Ng4 11.Re2 Bc5 12.Qe1 Nxf2N 0.62/19
[Vorgänger: 12...0-0 0.75/22

12...f6 0.01



13.Rb1! Bxf2+ 0.98/23 *(13...Qc7± 0.45/22)* 14.Rxf2± Qxf2+ 1.04/20 *(14...Qc5± 0.59/24)* 15.Qxf2± Nxf2 16.Kxf2 b6 17.Ba3 Rfe8 1.40/20 *(⌓17...Rfd8 0.76/21)* 18.Bd6 0.93/19 *(18.g4 1.40/20)* 18...Na5 1.80/18 0-1 (41) Skrzyczek,T (1909)-Sieciechowicz,M (2383) Wroclaw 2022 *(18...f6± 0.93/19)* 19.Ba6 Bc6 20.Nd4 Bb7 21.Bb5 Rec8 22.Ne2 d4 23.c4 d3 24.Nf4 Bc6 25.Ba6 Bb7 26.Bb5 a6 27.Bd7 Rd8 28.Ba4 Rac8 29.Be7 Nxc4 30.Bxd8 Nxd2 31.Rxb6 Ne4+ 32.Ke3 Rxd8 33.Rxb7 Nc5 0-1 (41) Skrzyczek,T (1909)-Sieciechowicz,M (2383) Adolf Anderssen Mem 2022 (4.9)]

[12...f6!= 0.08/24]

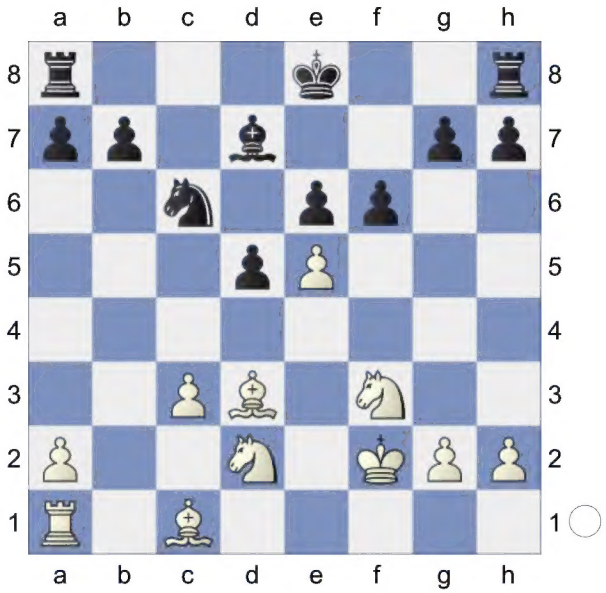
13.Rxf2± Bxf2+ 0.95/20

[13...f6!= 0.30/21]

14.Qxf2± Qxf2+ 15.Kxf2 f6 1.25/19

[Black should try 15...0-0 0.76/19]

(Diagram)



16.exf6! gxf6 17.Ba3 0.69/20

[17.c4± 1.22/19]

17...e5± 18.c4 White has strong compensation. White is much more active. The black rooks are passive.

18...d4 3.46/19

[18...e4± 0.67/19]

19.Ne4+- Kf7 20.Nh4 1.88/18

[⌓20.Nd6+ 3.41/18 Kg8 21.Nh4 *(21.Nxb7 Rb8±)*]

20...b6? 4.36/19

[20...a5 1.88/18]

21.Rf1 Kg7 22.Ke1 Rhf8 23.Bxf8+ Rxf8 24.Nd6 Ne7 25.Nhf5+ Nxf5 26.Nxf5+ Bxf5 27.Bxf5 Endgame KRB-KR

[Weaker is 27.Rxf5 e4±]

27...Re8 28.Kd2 Re7 29.Kd3 Rc7 30.Be6 Rc5 31.a4 Ra5 32.Bd7 Rc5 33.g4 h6 34.h4 Rc7 35.Be6 Re7 36.Bd5 Rc7 37.Rg1 Rc5 38.Ke4 Ra5 39.Bc6 Rc5 40.Bd5 -0.01/20

[40.Bb5+- 5.99/21 Kg6 41.Rc1]

40...Ra5= 41.Bc6 -0.01/19

[White should play 41.Ra1+- 6.29/22 Kg6 42.Bc6]

41...Rc5! 42.Bb5 Kg6 43.Be8+ Kg7 44.Kd3 Kf8 45.Bb5 Ke7 46.Ra1 Ke6

47.Ke4 Rc7 48.a5 2.57/22
[⌓48.Ba6 5.26/22 h5 49.g5 *(49.gxh5 f5+ 50.Kd3 Rh7+-)*]
48...bxa5? 5.44/24
[48...Rg7 2.57/22]
49.Rxa5+- aiming for Ra6+. **49...Rg7** 34.99/22
[⌓49...Kd6 4.74/21 50.Ra6+ Skewer Kc5 51.Rxf6 Rg7]
50.Ra6+ Kf7 51.Rxa7+ White mates.
51...Kf8 52.Rxg7 Kxg7 53.c5 Kf7
Weighted Error Value: White=0.66/ Black=0.72
54.c6
1-0